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CHITTOOR,
19*th June* 1942.

B. S. BALIGA,
Curator, Madras Record Office.

ANJENGO.

N°.		
152	..	Dated 7th. Augt. 1765.
207	..	26th. Novr. 1765.

BENGAL.

N°.		
9	..	Dated 24th. December 1764.
21	..	3 January 1765.
31	..	18 D°. D°.
72	..	11 February 1765.
84	..	21 March 1765.
99	..	15 April D°.
100	..	22 D°. D°.
110	..	6th. May D°.
120	..	28 D°. D°.
146	..	18 July D°.
151	..	25 D°. D°.
172	..	16th. September 1765.
202	..	5th. November 1765.
204	..	6 D°. D°.

BANDARMALANKA.

N°.		
34	..	14th. February 1765.
76	..	1 April 1765.
156	..	3 September 1765.
171	..	2 October 1765.
174	..	8 D°. D°.

BOMBAY.

N°.		
27	..	27th. December 1764.
37	..	29th. January 1765.
89	..	20 March 1765.
94	..	7th. April D°.
121	..	9th. June D°.
161	..	22d. August D°.
180	..	12th. September 1765.

CANTON.

N°.		
13	..	8 November 1764.
14	..	16 D°. D°.

CANTON—*cont.*

N°.		
15	..	22 November 1764.
16	..	22 D°.
47	..	7th. D°.
48	..	22 D°.
49	..	18th. December 1764.
50	..	22 D°.
51	..	5th. January 1765.
122	..	5th. February 1765.
123	..	3 March 1765.

CUDDALORE.

N°.		
6	..	3d January 1765.
20	..	26th. D°. D°.
29	..	10 February 1765.
30	..	11th. D°. D°.
32	..	18 D°. D°.
38	..	7th. March 1765.
41	..	9 D°. D°.
42	..	10 D°. D°.
46	..	28th. February 1765.
54	..	12th. March 1765.
55	..	13 D°. D°.
64	..	25 D°. D°.
67	..	30 D°. D°.
83	..	24 April D°.
90	..	3 May D°.
102	..	23 D°. D°.
113	..	7th. June D°.
114	..	7 D°. D°.
119	..	22d. June D°.
133	..	18th. July D°.
136	..	27 D°. D°.
139	..	1st. August D°.
148	..	23 D°. D°.
154	..	2d. September 1765.
158	..	16 D°. D°.
159	..	16 D°. D°.
166	..	29th. D°. D°.
168	..	6th. October 1765.

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N°.		
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184	..	30 D°. D°.
194	..	14th. November 1765.
195	..	23d. D°.
205	..	18 December 1765.

INGERAM.

N°.		
19	..	17th. January 1765.
26	..	1st. February 1765.
39	..	23 D°.
40	..	1st. March 1765.
43	..	3 D°. D°.
61	..	14 D°. D°.
62	..	17 D°. D°.
65	..	19 D°. D°.
75	..	31 D°. D°.
81	..	3d. April D°.
82	..	14 D°. D°.
91	..	26 D°. D°.
92	..	1st. May D°.
109	..	21st. D°. D°.
112	..	28 D°. D°.
116	..	2d. June D°.
128	..	26 D°. D°.
132	..	6th. July D°.
135	..	17 D°. D°.
141	..	4th. August D°.
147	..	31st. July D°.
160	..	11th. September 1765.
164	..	27 D°.
170	..	29 D°.
175	..	7th. October 1765.
178	..	11 D°. D°.
179	..	12th D°. D°.
192	..	8th November 1765.
197	..	23 D°.
201	..	28 D°.
203	..	1st. December 1765.

MANILHA.

N°.		
11	..	8th. October 1764.
12	..	8th. D°.

MARBRO.

N°.		
2	..	Dated 23rd. August 1764.
3	..	4th. September. 1764.
4	..	10th. September 1764.
56	..	10th. January 1765.
68	..	6th. July 1765.
107	..	1st. April D°.
108	..	1 D°. D°.
142	..	28 June D°.
143	..	6th. July D°.
153	..	23rd. D°. D°.
163	..	12th. August D°.

MASULIPATAM.

N°.		
1st	..	21st December 1764.
7	..	30th. D°.
18	..	25th. D°.
23	..	26th. January 1765.
33	..	17th. February D°.
35	..	20 D°. D°.
63	..	20th. March D°.
74	..	3rd. April D°.
80	..	9th. D°. D°.
86	..	22nd. D°. D°.
97	..	3rd. May D°.
98	..	11 D°. D°.
104	..	18th. D°. D°.
111	..	30th. D°. D°.
118	..	11 June D°.
126	..	26th. D°. D°.
134	..	18th. July D°.
140	..	31st. D°. D°.
145	..	15th. August D°.
149	..	21st. D°. D°.
155	..	4th. September D°.
157	..	8 D°. D°.
167	..	28th. September D°.
182	..	25th. October D°.
187	..	30th. D°. D°.
188	..	6th. November D°.
190	..	10th. D°. D°.
191	..	11th. D°. D°.
199	..	15th. D°. D°.

NEGAPATAM.

N°.		
28th	..	1st. February 1765.
69	..	23 March D°.
93	..	6th. May D°.
101	..	18 D°. D°.

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N°.

129 .. 26th. June 1765.

196 .. Novr. Dº.

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N°.

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N°.

10 Mr. Dalrymple's Canton Novr. 1764.

22 Mr. Dean Master attendant, dated from Ingellee Janry. 10th. 1765.

52 Mr. Dalrymple at Canton 22d. Decr.

53 Mr. Dalrymple at Canton 22d. Dº. 1764.

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N°.	
58	Capt. Jackson Malacca 27th. May 1764.
59	Wm. Cleghorn Dº. 1st. June 1764.
70	Messrs. Mackenzie and Devisme Manilha October 10th. 1764.
77	Christr. Brower. Tranquebar 8th. Apl. 1765.
78	Chrisr. Brower, Tranquebar 9th. Apl. 1765.
82	Letter from Wachevoy Ragarrauze to Mr. Dolben 11th. April 1765.
88	Capt. Joseph Jackson, Canton Novr. 7th. 1764.
106	Mr. Burnet, Batavia March 16th.
117	Christr. Brower, Tranquebar June 6th.
124	Mr. Burnet at Batavia May 31st. 1765.
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	Mr. Dalrymple, Canton Janry. 16th. 1765.
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208	Mr. Pybus Camp near Pedapore 20th. Decr. 1765.

PULLICAT.

N°.		
57	..	Dated 21st. March 1765.

ST. HELENA.

N°.		
	..	8th Aprl. 1764.

SADRAS.

N°.		
193	..	14 Novr. 1765.

TELLICHERRY.

N°.		
95	..	1st. May 1765.
96	..	2 Dº. Dº.
162	..	3d. September 1765.
206	..	3d. Decr. 1765.

TRANQUEBAR.

N°.		
71	..	2d. April 1765.
105	..	20th. May 1765.

VIZAGAPATAM.

N°.		
8	..	31st. Decr. 1764.
17	..	5th. Janr. 1765.
24	..	15th. Dº. Dº.
25	..	26th. Janry. 1765.
36	..	16 Febry. 1766.
44	..	
45	..	2d. March 1765.
60	..	7 Dº. Dº.
66	..	19 Dº. Dº.
73	..	24 Dº. Dº.
79	..	2d. April 1765.
85	..	15th. Dº. Dº.
87	..	18th. Dº. Dº.
103	..	12th. May 1765.
115	..	30th. Dº. Dº.
117	..	23 June 1765.
138	..	19 July 1765.
144	..	7th. Augt. 1765.
150	..	17 Dº. Dº.
165	..	22d. Septr. 1765.
169	..	25th. Dº. Dº.
176	..	3d. Octr. 1765.
186	..	24 Dº. Dº.
189	..	30th. Dº. Dº.
200	..	25 Novr. 1765.

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[*From December 25, 1764 to May 1, 1765.*]

No.

To [THE HONBLE ROB]ERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have been honord with your Commands of the 17th. instant and having advised you under Date the 19th. of my Proceedings at Bandarmalanka relating to the Investment I purpose making Use of the permission you have been pleased to give me of coming up to Madras for a few Days & shall set out this Evening having deliverd over the Charge of the Settlement to Mr. Dawson with Directions to give you the most early advice of any material occurrences which may happen. I am very respectfully

MASULIPATAM
25 DECR. 1764.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your very Obedient and most Humble Servant
JOHN PYBUS.

No. 2.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

The companys Ship Revenge Captain Watson calling here in her passage to Batavia to Fort St. George gives us the opportunity of enclosing a Duplicate of our Letter of the 10th. Ultimo by the Bute Captain Maitland.

We doubt not but that Mr. Jourdan has by this ship advised of the situation of the Troops from Manilla now at Batavia. We have therefore only to add that we have at his Request appointed the Admiral Watson Captain Blewit & the Neptune Captain Emptage, to transport them to Fort St. George, these two ships will sail in a few Days, but as the season is too late for their proceeding to Fort St. George the usual Tract We imagine they will go by the Streights of Malacca and I hope they will be with you in December.

The Admiral Watson having been consign'd to us by the Honble Court on a particular service it is with some Regret we employ her on this Occasion and nothing but the apparent Necessity of the case and our having no other proper Vessel could have induc'd us. We shall hope that she will be return'd to us immediately with our annual Indent [. . .] Gentlemen to endeavour at sending our supplies from [. . .] ready for the Watson which ship will be able to carry the [. . .] want Rice or Salt having more of each in our

Godowns than wi[. . .] Consumption of the next year, the ship Neptune belongs to pro[. . .] at Bombay, and was taken up by the President &c^{a}. Council here to per[form] a trading Voyage to the Coast of Africa for the purchase of slaves for the use of the Coast but not being able to get ready before the Monsoon Chang'd last year; she was dispatch'd here with such as could be purchased at Bombay; by the accounts given us of her We are induc'd to apprehend that she is not very fit for such a Voyage, We had resolv'd to return her to Bombay that she might be repaired, the present Necessity however obliges us to employ her on this service tho it is a Deviation f[rom] her Charter party.

The Duke of Richmond Captain Godfrey sailed for China the 7th. instant having on board from hence two hundred Tons of Pepper and (5000) five thousand pounds in Treasure.

We have the pleasure to acquaint you that [the] Princess Augusta arrived this Day from S^{t}. Helena altho We may [give] her a quick Dispatch yet we think there is but a small probability that she will save her passage to Canton by the direct Tract.

The Syren Snow which we acquainted you in our last we purposed to dispatch for your Presidency and Bengal is but lately return'd from Manna as the season is now so far advanced she will be orderd direct for Bengal.

Under Cover you will receive a packet from the Governor &ca. Council of S^{t}. Helena brought here by the Princess Augusta.

We take the Opportunity of sending on the Revenge two Subidars two Jemidars and sixteen seapoys of those brought here by M^{r}. Ardley.

The inclosed List will acquaint you of their Names and the Time they are paid to and We must refer Captain Watson to your Honor &ca. Council for the payment of their passage.

Since writing the above upon a Consideration [of the] Tonnage that will be necessary to transport five hundred and twenty Men which is the Number Captain Watson acquaints us will be left there after the Bute has taken all she can. We find that the Admiral Watson and the Neptune will not be sufficient. We have therefore determined to send the Princess Augusta Captain Baddington [*sic*] with them, that the Gentlemen at Batavia may make use of her if absolutely necessary if she is not wanted Captain Baddison will be directed to pursue his Voyage to China by the Pitts Tract.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient humble Servants
ROGER CARTER.
HENRY IDELL.
ROBERT NAIRNE.
JOHN HERBERT.

FORT MARLBRO
23 AUG^{T}. 1764.

N^{o}. 3.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

It gave us much Concern to find that by a Mistake in our Secretarys Office, our Advices intended to go by by [*sic*] the Revenge were forgot to be deliverd to Captain Watson, this Neglect is of the less Consequence as M^{r}. Carter informs us that in his private Letter to M^{r}. Palk he acquainted him with most

of the particulars under cover you will be pleas'd to receive a Duplicate the original going in the Syren Via Bengal.

Agreable to what we had then determined we now dispatch the Admiral Watson to Batavia that the Gentlemn. there may know our Intentions, and be prepar'd to embark when the Princess Augusta and Neptune arrives which ships we hope will sail this Week.

The protested Bill drawn in Favor of Mr. Marriott on Messrs. Barns and Campen by Messrs. Boonen and Oytelugh Mr. Herbert could not procure repayment at Batavia the Drawers however gave the strongest Assurances that orders were sent to the Coast to discharge the [. . .] have recoverd the amount.

Upon Revisal of our [Request] we find sufficient for our consumption another year [be]fore we request that the additional Indent transmitted [on the] Greyhound may not be sent but our yearly one only attended to a[nd] in this the Long Cloth Ordinary White may be also left out.

Our Honble Masters having sent out Block Tin which we have no occasion for nor know how to dispose of We have forwarded to you sixty four Blocks they had laden on board the Admiral Watson Invoice and Bill of Lading of which go in the Packet, that You may dispose thereof as you may Judge most proper for their Interest.

The Admiral Watson having been supplied by us with all stores necessary for his Use and all his Expences being defrayed here the Money she brought out for her Stock still remains on board which we mention in case she should not return to us, that Captain Blewit may account with you for the same. We are

Fort Marlbro
4 Septr. 1764.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Humble Servants
Roger Carter.
Henry Idell.
Robert Nairne.
John Herbert.

No. 4.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Agreable to what we wrote You under the 4th. Inst. by the Admiral Watson Captain John Blewit We now dispatch the Princess Augusta Captain Thomas Baddington Neptune Captain George Emptage for Batavia for the [purp]oses then mentioned to you.

We have only further to advise a Bill for Pagodas (937-18) nine hundred and thirty seven Pagodas eighteen Fanams or Dollars (1500) fifteen hundred paid in by the Honble Roger Carter Esqr. on your Honors &ca. Council payable to Charles Bourchier Esqr. or order to which please to shew accustomed Honor dated ye. 8th. Inst.

We remain
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servants
Roger Carter.
Robert Nairne.
John Herbert.

Fort Marlbro
10th. September 1764.

No. 5.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Our last Letter to you went by our Honorable Masters Ship Egmont under Date of the 15th. of April 1763, since when we have received your Letters by the Clinton and Plassey.

We desire you will send for the Use of this Island ten pieces of long Cloth at twelve pagodas pr. piece, twenty pieces at ten pagodas pr. piece, thirty pieces at Eight Pagodas pr. piece, Forty pieces at five pagodas pr. piece, Forty pieces at four pagodas ℔ piece, sixty pieces at three Pagodas pr. piece, and the Rest of the one Pr. Cent in Arrack Rice and Paddy.

This Letter goes upon the [Duke of] Richmond by Way of Bencoolen. Enclosed we have sent [. . .] of ships arrival and departure to and from St. Helena [. . .] the 15th. April 1763. We are

St. Helena
8th. April 1764.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most humble servants
Chas. Hutchinson.
John Skottowe.
A. Purling.
Thos. Kirkpatrick.

List of Ships Arrival and Departure to and from St. Helena since the 15th April 1763. Vizt.

Ships names.	Commanders.	Arrival.	Departure.
Virgin Lady a Portuguese Ship.	Rogue Jocin de Soize.	1st. May 1763 ..	8th. May 1763
Cruttenden ..	John Bowland ..	17 Do. do. ..	5th. June do.
Hardwicke ..	Brooke Sampson ..	15 June do. ..	24th. do. do.
Drake	John Smith. ..		
Albion	William Lackins ..	7 July do. ..	16th. July do.
Essex	George Jackson ..	23d. do. do. ..	5th. August do.
Prince of Wales ..	Jonathon Court ..	15th. August do. ..	5th. Septr. do.
Clive	John Allen. ..	18th. do. do. ..	
Clinton	Nathanl. Smith ..	20th. Septr. do. ..	8th. October do.
Grosvenor	David Saunders ..	26th. Novr. do. ..	6th. Decembr. do.
Plassey	James Ward ..	26th. February 1764.	5th. March 1764.
Earl of Ashburnham.	Tho : Pearce ..	26th. of Febry, 1764.	5 March 1764.
Queen of Denmark Dane Ship.	Un. Holm.	25th. March Do.	28 do. do.
Duke of Richmond	Benjn. Godfrey ..	27th. Do. Do.	
Osterly	Fredk. Vincent. ..	4 April do.	

No. 6.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have been favord with your Address of the 26th. Ultimo, we always have followed and shall continue the Practice you recommend to us relating to Delinquents not charg'd with capital Offences, But the Revd. Mr. Huttemans having since applied to us to send four more persons to Madras whom he intends prosecuting as accomplices in the Robbery committed in his House, We have accordingly sent them you under Charge of two Seapoys in order for their being deliverd up to Justice we have likewise directed the principal Evidences against the Persons accused of Coining &ca. to repair to Madras in case your Honor &ca. should have occasion for them.

John Forrester the person your Honor &ca. desire us to inform you of, is an English European who was stopt by your peons in passing the Bounds & was subsisted untill we could make Enquiry about him, when it appearing he came from Sadras and being willing afterwards to enlist in the Service & an able bodied Man we have since entertaind him in the Military.

Agreable to your [. . .] Tappies to Negapatam have been discontinued [. . .] of this Month.

We have the Honor to be

Cuddalore — Honble Sir & Sirs
3d. January 1765. — Your most obedient Humble Servants

J. L. Smith.
John Calland.

List of Cloth on Hand.

Bales	75½	at Washers.
	154	Beaters.
	137	Dyers.
	25	Embaled.
Bales	391½	

No. 7.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have the Honor to acquaint you that the Term for which the Arrack Farm is lett at this place expires the 12th. February next and am now to request your Orders for reletting it.

I shall not fail to give your Honor &ca. the most early intelligence of any material occurrences which may happen here being with the greatest Respect

Masulipatam — Honble Sir & Sirs
30th. December 1764. — Your most Obedient & very humble servant

George Dawson.

No. 8.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have now the Honor to consign you by the Ship Illocos a few pieces of Beteelas of different Sorts which are expressed in the Invoice enclosed, if these Musters should not meet with your approbation we beg you'll favor us with others as also with your Orders regarding the Quantity of each assortment.

We must now beg leave to intimate to you some Circumstances regarding private Trade belonging to the Owners and officers of the ship Illocos which consists chiefly of the following Articles Vizt. Brimstone, Arrack & Cashia. These Goods are now a part of that ships Cargo.

Mr. Mc. Kaine having applied for Leave to return to Madrass by this Conveyance We have complied therewith, here being a sufficient Number of officers to supply his Place.

We now must request a further supply of Cash, for since the receipt of the 10,000 Pagodas from Masulipatam, We have disbursed to the Military and to the officers on Account of their Sea Batta &ca. as also for advances to the Merchants and washers about Madras Pagodas 9,500. — so that the Ballance of Cash is now reduc'd very low and we have not advanced the Merchants so much as they desired, therefore they will very soon want more Money or our Investment will be at a Stand.

The Lascars have come to a Resolution of returning to Madras overland and We have this day advanced them Pagodas 58 and by the inclosed Roll you will see the whole of what we have supplied them being Current Pagodas 178.

We now transmit you the Officers Notes for their Sea Batta as also Captain Nodes Receipt for what Money we have advanced him since our last Advices which are Pagodas Currt. 387–27–59. We are with Respect

Vizagapatam
31 Decembr. 1764.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient Humble Servts.

John Smith.
Charles Smith.
Wm. Barker.

No. 9.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir and Sirs

Agreably to the advice given you in our Letter of the 17th. Instant of which we herewith transmit you a Duplicate, We now dispatch to you the Ship Luconia and enclosed you will also receive the Invoice and Bill of Lading of the Rice and Casks ship'd on board her the former amounting to current Rupees 4,774–11–9.

When we address'd you our said Letter We had not settled Terms with the Owners of this Vessell for the intended service, but the same having been agreed on, and executed before the Departure of the Conveyance by which our Letter

was transmitted, we directed our Secretary to forward to yours a Copy for your timely Information and with this you will receive a Duplicate thereof. We are

FORT WILLIAM
24TH. DECR. 1764.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient Humble Servants

J. SPENCER.
C. S. PLAYDELL.
RALPH LEYCESTER.
JOHN BURDETT.

No. 10.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I shall not say any Thing of what proceeded the Departure of the Ships from Soolo the 1st. June on their way from Manilha to Madras.

Agreable to what I wrote you I dispatch'd the London to Balambangan about the middle of June and followed in the Galley about the 4 July with Intention of conducting the imputed Ship from the Coast to Soolo I continued at Balambangan till the beginning of September where despairing of any ship, I return'd to Soolo to load the London for China and arrived there in a few Days.

The 15th. the Admiral Pocock returned very sickly having got down as far as po. Laut the Expence to the Compy. from the high Demorage of this ship and the great Risk they will have on her Bottom should she be detained abroad after 11 Feby. when her Charter party Expires, determin'd me to dispatch her to China as the only probability of saving this charge & desired the Supracargoes to send a Ship in her stead to take aboard the Troops which I was apprehensive would involve the Companys Affair if carried to China But least the Supra Cargoes should not think themselves authorized to send another Ship in her stead or in Case of losing her passage I have ordered the Admiral Pocock Back to Sooloo, and when she has re-embarked, the Troops to proceed to Bengal, as the only remain'g Chance of getting home this Season She sailed from Sooloo 29th. Septr. but is not yet arrived & I am afraid she has lost her passage as she was but indifferently man'd, and in want of all stores. Mr. Drake contiuued on board her with Messrs. Fife & Nodes.

The Detachment from the Admiral Pocock are placed on an Island adjoining to the Town to prevent Jealousys on the part of the Natives & accidents to them Captain Displans. has beeen advanced one Chest of Treasure contg. 8000 Rs. landed from the Admiral Pocock for their pay & 500 Rs. for contingent Charges the acct. of which he will deliver to you. I have referred to your Determination whether you will make them any & what addition to their pay.

Those who were on the London continue here except ten Coffreys kept aboard, upon an Examination it seemed to me necessary for this support to make an allowance to them at the same time not to put the Company to any Expence more than absolutely necessary. I have only continued the few Europeans their victualling and allowed the others one Fanam a Day without Distinction of Rank. Ensign Meredith has been advanced for their pay Contingencies Rups. 5,500 for which he is to be accountable to you.

Had a ship arrived early I should have been enabled to have collected a large proportion of the Companys Debt there is only to the amount of 2,294 Dols. on the London being all that ship could carry the Admiral Pocock has to the amount of 2000 the Time of her Continuance not permitting to lade any more aboard.

Besides the Goods above mention'd there are some pearls on the London which I hope will amount to several Thousand Dollars part on account of the Cuddalores Voyage but I cannot at present give any particular Account of them.

There were goods left behind at Soolo to the amount of above 10,000 Dollars chiefly in Sago & Teepy and a Junck saild fully laden this Season for China with Goods chiefly belonging to the Company which some of them sold clandestinely sold [*sic*] to the Chinese as from the want of a Ship these Goods were of Necessity left in their Hands.

I endeavord to get a List of all the people who were concerned in the Commerce at Sooloo, the amount they had received, and what they have discharged that it may appear what is still due from each but could not before my Departure from the Absence of some Persons concerned. The lower People I am informed have cleard their Accounts but of the Higher I only know for certain Dato Sarapodin and his Brother Dato Jaffir. If I may be allowed to give my Sentiments it is necessary to send some Goods this Season on the Companys Account to be delivered only to those who have cleard Accounts. This will engage the others by the View of Interest and Emulation to pay what they owe, but should they see no Distinction made between themselves who are deficient and those who have paid their Debt it cannot be expected they will be very strict to their Engagements nor the others assiduous in stimulating them.

I must also recommend that the Sultan be entrusted with some Goods for his Assistance is very requisite towards irrecovering the Companys Debt and he seems at present very well inclin'd to assist us the Circumstances in which he return'd to Soolo do not permit him to have that Influence which he had before he left his Country as his Revenues are chiefly what they call Sarah which is the [Exchange] of Goods at a price above this Value which is to be paid in the produce of the different Places so that without Goods he is without Revenues.

For two or three Years past the Bugguese have imported into the Tirson Districts and carried from thence directly all the Birds Nests, this has been a growing Evil and came to such a Head last year that scarce a pecul of Birds Nest was brought to Soolo, the Sultan to remedy this has appointed Governors in the Districts. I forbid the Bugguese entrance directing all who desire to trade in his Dominions shall come to the Capital, the Bugguese inform me they generally carry about 70^{ty}. pecul in a Year from thence which next year will probably be drawn to Sooloo, if they have any goods to purchase it the Sultans Revenue is chiefly in this Article from Tiroon.

As I am determined to return to England this Seas^{n}. it is not necessary to enter into a long Discussion of my Motives but I am sorry to observe what you mention in your Letter of the 4th. Aug^{t}. They who imagine the Fatigues I have undergone since the Beginning of 1759 arise from a roving Disposition are much mistaken, I went to sea then on a Plan I had well weighed for some years before for extending and renewing our Connection in the Eastern World, accidents and difficulties have interwined but I have never lost sight of my original Object and as I am conscious to have acted with personal Disinteredness, if the Company do not Judge so from my past conduct. I shall despair of ever convincing them and must in that Case have the Misfortune to leave a Service in which I cannot obtain the Confidence and good Opinion of my Employers in worse Circumstances in point of Fortune than 12 Years ago when I enter'd it, did I imagine that my Continuance abroad would be for the publick Interest than returning Home, I might again be induced to sacrifice my Inclinations and Views for that Interest. But as I think the Sum of the Soola Concern dust on the Ballance compared with the future prospects and as I can satisfy my own Heart that I have not been wanting in a due Attention to my Trust since I cannot think the publick Interest can be so much benefitted by continuing as returning, that alone

would determine me to make the Observations of my long Peregrination usefull, requires the Leisure of a Europe passage as at present an Accident to me would render the Experience of these Voyages I have made useless to any other.

I shall write you more fully in regard to the Measures, which appear to me eligible for maintaining and intending the Companys Influence in the Sooloo Dominions, in the meanwhile I have the Honor to be

CANTON
24TH. NOVR. 1764.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Humble Servant
A. DALRIMPLE.

No. 11.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

SIR

The Deputy Governor and Council on their Departure, having appointed me Residt. for the Honble Companys affairs at this place agreeable to their Instructions I have laboured ever since to conciliate the Minds of the Spaniards and to endeavor to bring them back to the former amity, which subsisted between them and the Gentlemen of Fort St. George before the War. Tho I am sorry to say, yet with Reason they were greatly irritated against the English; but I can now with pleasure inform you that it seems at present to be almost forgot. Since the Departure of our Garrison hitherto I have experienced the greatest attention from the Government, and Friendship from the Inhabitants, which was more than I indeed expected from the situation of affairs at the going away of our Forces; but as the principal object was the reestablishing the Commerce between the Coast and Manilha in the former Manner, they have at last consented to it, tho their Intention was entirely fixed on inviting the Dutch to replace the English in that Branch of Trade, their Resentment being fresh for the Losses they had so lately suffered by our Means; however they are determined not toreceive in any Manner Ships from Fort St. George until the Letters may arrive there which they propose writing by me.

The Ship Pitt arrived here the 20th. July last, and agreeable to the directions to the late Governor and Council I forwarded her to Canton.

The Worcester and Lord Hollond also imported here the 25th. Ultimo, it was with the greatest difficulty that Liberty could be obtaind to disembark the Goods belonging to Mr. Cavalhe &ca. Passengers and after much trouble they were at last prevailed on to permit them to be landed under the Name of the Armenians. I have used all the Endeavors possible to raise Money for the Gentlemen at Canton and We have at present received about twenty thousand Dollars and twenty thousand Rupees for which Messrs. Mc. Kensie and Devisme draw on the Governor and Council of Fort St. George there being little Hopes of procuring more I shall this day deliver Captain Halls & Nairne their sailing Orders and packets for China.

I have repaired and made into a Brig the Honble Companys Sloop Passig in which I propose going to the Coast so soon as the Season may answer, as there was nothing remaining but her Hull the fitting her out was attended with the greatest Difficulty, this place being at present destitute of every kind of Marine Stores and had it not been for the assistance I received from the Ships it would have been impossible to have put her in a Manner suitable to attempt the Voyage,

As I am in hopes I shall have the Honor of seeing you before this can reach Fort S^{t}. George it prevents me from giving you the trouble of a more particular Relation. I am

SIR

MANILHA — With much Respect

8 OCTO^{R}. 1764. — Your most obed^{t}. & most humble Serv^{t}.

QUINTIN CRAUFURD.

N^{o}. 12.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Being in want of Cash for the use of The Honble Company I have been under the necessity of drawing on your Honor &c^{a}. for three thousand Pagodas payable at thirty Days Sight to Shameer Sultan for four thousand five Hundred Spanish Dollars received here from Johannes Mazareth on account the Honble Company. I am with much Respect

MANILHA — HONBLE SIR & SIRS

8 OCTOB^{R}. 1764. — Your most obedient & most Humble Servant

QUINTIN CRAUFURD.

N^{o}. 13.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

GENTLEMEN

We have received your several Letters and Packets by the Bon Voyage S^{t}. Francis Xavier, Pitt, Northumberland, Lord Holland, and Worcester, and now address ourselves to you by the Muxadavad bound to Bengal, as you will probably receive this Letter sooner, by that Conveyance, than by the first Macao Ship which does not sail for Madras till the latter End of this month.

Had it not been for the large and indeed unexpected supplies received from you we sho^{d}. not have been able to give more than six Ships their full Ladings, although we have borrowed here near 100000 Ta^{s}. @ 10. 12. & 13 ℘^{r}. Cent p^{r}. Annum and hope by Bills on London & Madras to receive between 60 & 70000 Tales more. We have not received a single Chest of Money from England and the Court of Directors informed us even after they received our Advices by the Grosveno^{r}. which fully acquainted them with our situation and your Letters by the Lapwing that they could not send us any Treasure. On the Cargoes of the Northumberland, Lord Holland, & Worcester, though bought dear we shall have a Gain we have already sold the following Articles by the first of these ships viz^{t}.

	Cost at Madras reck^{g}. p^{s}. 8^{s}. each			sold for at Canton.		
Sandal Wood	Ta^{s}. 12	440		Ta^{s}. 19	400	p^{r}. pecul.
Wax	17	400		18	000	d^{o}.
Pepper	10	800		12	000	d^{o}.
Cotton	9	300		9	600	d^{o}.
Putchuck	57	600		70	000	to abate 15 & C^{t}. as p^{r}. Custom here which reduces it to 59 5.

We imagine when the Remainder of her Cargo and the Goods p^{r}. Lord Holland & Worcester are disposed of, we shall find them answer much better than silver

would have done could it have been procured in Lieu of them, we have now about enough to load the nine Ships already arrived and shall likewise be able to dispatch the Duke if Richmond should she gain her passage to Bencoolen, as she will probably have Goods nearly sufficient on board to purchase her homeward bound Cargo, this is the most we can do and then the Residence will be left with an empty Treasury and no Goods on hand for all our Woolens of last year are sold and likewise those by the Norfolk. We shall by every Opportunity acquaint you with the situation of our Affairs here that you may the better be able to Judge how far your Assistance may be necessary. The Calculation of China Stock sent to you from England this year is very erroneous, and of course not to be depended on, we have received the 5000 Pagodas lent by your presidency to Shamier Sultan at Respondentia with the Interest on it and shall shortly be paid the Bond for 4200 P. lent to Mr. Anthony Sadlier.

Messrs. Mackenzie and Devisme while at Manilha were so fortunate as to procure for us 19,650 Dollars & 20,000 Arcot Rupees for which they gave Bills on your Presidency exchange 15 Dollrs. for 10 pags. and Rupee for Rupee as they have acquainted you in a Letter they wrote from thence Duplicate of which comes inclosed. We have also drawn on you for Pags. 6428–20–46 Exchange 14 Dolls. for 10 Pags. We hope these Bills with what more we may draw on you Gentlemen from hence will not be inconvenient, our Necessities obliging us to make full use of the power you have given us of drawing for any sums we may have occasion for.

As soon as we can get a purchaser for our Gold we shall let you know to what advantage we have disposed of it.

The Method you have followed in regard to Essaying the Rupees sent here is very usefull to us and we shall be obliged to you to continue the same every year

Mr. Crawford your agent at Manilha has drawn a Bill on us from thence for 2000 Dollars payable to Artoon Jacob an Arminian here which we have paid.

We acquainted you in our Letter by the Sabut Jung that Six Guns were brought here on the Hawke from Manilha. We beg the Favor of you to let us know how they are to be disposed of, we could this year have sent them to England in one of our Ships that wanted Kintlage but did not know whether it would have been agreable to you.

We have sent a price Current Canton, List of ships at this port, a Letter of Advice from hence and a Duplicate of Messrs. Mackensie & Devisme's Letter from Manilha and are

CANTON
8TH. NOVR. 1764.

GENTLEMEN
Your most obedient Humble servants
THOS. FITZHUGH.
SAMUEL BLOUNT.
NATHL. GARLAND.
WM. MACKENZIE.
ALEX: HUME.
STEPN. DEVISME.
THS. SMITH.
MANN. HORNER.
WM. ROUS.
WM. HARRISON.

P.S.—The London Capn. Alves arrived here yesterday from Sooloo which place he left Octr. the 2d. Mr. Dalrymple has deliverd us the Invoice of the Sooloo Goods belonging to the Company whh. amount to 2494¼ Dollr. being all that

she could take in. This ship has on board likewise 8 Chests containing 64000 Rupees wh^{h}. were taken out of the Admiral Pocock. Captain Riddel sail'd from Sooloo bound for Canton, three Days before the London left it. M^{r}. Dalrymple writes to you Gentlemen by this Conveyance to whom we refer you for particulars.

CANTON
24TH. NOV^{R}. 1764.

LIST OF SHIPS AT CANTON, 1764

Of what Nation.	Ships Names.	Commanders.	When arrivd at Whampo.	When saild from Whampo.
English ..	Glatton ..	Doveton ..	Janu^{y}. 30th. ..	March 31st.
D^{o}. ..	Muxadavad f^{m}. Beng^{l}.	Boyer ..	March 1st. ..	Nov^{r}. 10th.
D^{o}. ..	Valentine ..	Fernell ..	D^{o}. 27th. ..	July 4th.
D^{o}. ..	Pocock ..	Hooke ..	April 14th. ..	
French ..	Mary f^{m}. Mauritius	Bon Amour ..	June 25th. ..	
English ..	Adm^{l}. Pocock f^{m}. Bombay	Cleugh ..	June 26th. ..	
D^{o}. ..	Latham ..	Moffat ..	July 13th. ..	
D^{o}. ..	British King ..	Pigou ..	d^{o}. 14th. ..	
Dutch ..	Shans Welvaren.	Freiyt ..	d^{o}. 26th. ..	
D^{o}. ..	Aschat ..	Huyper ..	d^{o}. 30th ..	
D^{o}. ..	Reyteveld ..	Vand^{r}. Bergh ..	Aug^{t}. 1st. ..	
English ..	L^{d}. Clive ..	Webber ..	d^{o}. 1st. ..	
Danish ..	Pr^{ce}. Frederick	Elphinston ..	d^{o}. 8th. ..	
French ..	Duc de Penthicore	Du Votenet ..	d^{o}. 8th. ..	
Danish ..	Cronprince ..	Swan	d^{o}. 10th. ..	
English ..	Norfolk ..	Sandys ..	d^{o}. 11th. ..	
Dutch ..	Hysom ..	Pieterze ..	d^{o}. 14th. ..	
French ..	Berier ..	S^{t}. Romain ..	d^{o}. 14th. ..	
D^{o}. ..	Elephant ..	La Motte ..	d^{o}. 14th. ..	
English ..	Nancy Snow f^{m}. Bombay.	Abelampe ..	Sep^{t}. 4th. ..	
D^{o}. ..	Pitt	Jackson ..	d^{o}. 12th. ..	
D^{o}. ..	Northumberland	Mitford ..	Oct^{r}. 2nd. ..	
Sweedish ..	Stockolm Slott.	Olbers ..	d^{o}. 5th. ..	
English ..	L^{d}. Holland ..	Nairn ..	Nov^{r}. 2^{d}. ..	
D^{o}. ..	Worcester ..	Hall ..	d^{o}. 3^{d}. ..	
D^{o}. ..	Lincoln ..	Hardwicke ..	d^{o}. 16th. ..	

N^{o}. 14.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

GENTLEMEN

We are to acquaint you we have this day drawn on you agreable to the Permission you have given us for Pagodas (3200) three thousand two hundred payable at twenty one days sight to M^{r}. Gregory Michael being in full for

(4480) four thousand four Hundred, and Eighty Spanish Dols. paid into the Companys Treasury by Mr. Jacob Paton which We beg the Favor of you to give due Honor to. We are

CANTON
16 Novr. 1764.

GENTLEMEN
Your most obedient Humble servants
THOS. FITCHUGH.
SAMUEL BLOUNT.
NATHL. GARLAND.
WM. MACKENZIE.
ALEXR. HUME.
STEPN. DEVISME.
THS. SMITH.
MAN. HORNER.
WM. ROUS.
WM. HARRISON.

No. 15.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

GENTLEMEN

We take the Liberty to inform you We have this day drawn on you at 21 days sight for pags. 6400 payable to John Edmund Pascal Esqr. or order (and in Case of his Absence to Mr. Johannes Sinon or order) being in full for 8400 Dols. received into the Companys Treasury here of Mr. Piere Sornay @ 10 Pags. for 14 Dollrs. to which We request you will pay due Honor.

We are
GENTLEMEN
Your most obedient Humble Servts.

CANTON
22 Novr. 1764.

THOS. FITZHUGH.
SAMUEL BLOUNT.
NATHL. GARLAND.
WM. MACKENZIE.
ALEX : HUME.
STEPN. DEVISME.
THOS. SMITH.
MANN. HORNER.
WM. ROUS.
WM. HARRISON.

No. 16.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

GENTLEMEN

We take the Liberty to inform you we have this day drawn on you at 21 days sight for Ps. 5714–10–23 payable to Mr. Shamier Sultan or order being in

full for 8000 Dollˢ. received into the Companys Treasury here of Mʳ. Arteen Jacob @ 10 Pagˢ. for 14 Dollˢ. to which We request you will pay due Honor.

CANTON
22 Novʳ. 1764.

We are
GENTLEMEN
Your most Obedᵗ. & most Humbˡᵉ. Servᵗˢ.

THOˢ. FITCZHUGH.
SAMUEL BLOUNT.
NATHˡ. GARLAND.
Wᴹ. MACKENZIE.
ALEX: HUME.
STEPᴺ. DE VISME.
THOˢ. SMITH.
MAN: HORNER.
Wᴹ. ROUS.
Wᴹ. HARRISON.

Nº. 17.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQᴿ.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &Cᴬ. COUNCIL
OF FORT Sᵀ. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have received your Honor &cᵃˢ. favor of the 22ᵈ. Ultimo and it gives us much Concern to observe what you have been pleased to write regarding the Upparah Merchants and the Declination of our Investment in that Country upon which we must now beg leave to trouble you with a few Observations thereon from which we flatter ourselves you will be induced to permit us to continue our Investment on its present Plan.

Upparah by what we can learn has always been the natural Investment of this settlement from its first Establishment and our most substantial Merchants now reside there from whom we provide the whole of our long Cloths fine Midling and Nº. 1 ordinary which is the principal part of our Investment, therefore we must now request your Honor &cᵃ. will permit us to employ the old Merchants as usual as we have now brought them with much pains and trouble to increase the Quantity which you will find by what is now expressed at the Foot hereof and we likewise have made some amendment in the Quality and have got the Merchants to bring it without any Expence to the Company and we are still in Hopes of enlarging the Investmᵗ. in Time to its former state provided you indulge us with the continuance of employing our old Merchants and we hope you will recommend to Mʳ. Dolben not to let his new Establishment be of any Hindrance to our Investment as it would certainly be only taking from this to add to a new Investment, which will be a manifest prejudice to this Settlement and would not answer your Intentions of enlargement by taking from this place to have it sent to Ingeram. We are credibly informed that when the Honble Company had a Factory at that place it never interfered with the Investment at Upparah and by far the greatest quantity of the Cloth at this Settlement was always provided there. Mʳ. Lewin Smith who made a considerable Investment here and Mʳ. Stratton who was here some Time can inform you of the Truth of what we now alledge as will also Mʳ. Heaths reply of the 31ˢᵗ. Decʳ. 1762 to the Letter you mention of the 24ᵗʰ. November 1762, should your Honor &cᵃ. still determine to take our Upparah Merchants from us we hope you will be so good as to hold us blameless from any Deficiency in our future Investments which We think in such Case must be vastly reduced, as we have

now the most hopeful Appearances at present for Improvement if the Country remains quiet and the price of Cotton should not rise. We shall endeavor to send up our Bales in due Time.

The supply of Cash your Honor &c^{a}. intend us we hope to receive by the very first Opportunity as you will perceive by our last address were we intimated the advances we had made and that we should shortly be in much Distress as our Merchants wanted more Money, which was not in our power to give them.

Inclosed are the Rolls of what We have paid and advanced on account of the Manilha Detachment.

We now inclose you a Copy of a Letter our Chief received from M^{r}. Lowes at Mangapatam and agreable thereto we have wrote to the Rajah to get protection for M^{r}. Lowe and the other gentlemen to remain at Ganjam or any other place in his district in Case of need. We are also informed there are troubles about Ganjam between the Phousdar of the Country put in by Ibram Beg late General of our Rajah and our Rajahs allies there and it is reported that Ibram Beg who has been at Golconda is coming towards Rajahmundree in Favor of Hussen Ally Cawn which We think our Duty to communicate to you. We have the Honor to remain with perfect Respect

VIZAGAPATAM
5 JAN^{RY}. 1765

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS
Your most obedient Humble Servants
JOHN SMITH.
CHA^{S}. SMITH.
W^{M}. BARKER.

CLOTH ON HAND.

	Embaled	C^{o}. yds.		
L.C.O.	77 Bales or	115	10	
L.C.M.	42 d^{o}.	84	—	
L.C.F.	12 d^{o}.	24	—	
				223 10
	At the Wash			
L.C.O.		203	9	
L.C.M.		113	1	
L.C.F.		79	9	
				395 19
	In y^{e}. Warehouse			
L.C.O.		16	2	
L.C.M.		11	—	
L.C.F.		1	8	
				28 10
	Corge.			647 19

N^{o}. 18.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

The Sea Horse Sloop being bound from hence to your port I have taken the opportunity to ship on board her sundry useless and unservicible Stores lying

here, as pr. Invoice and Bill of Lading inclosed. The remaining thirteen Chests of Gunpowder here landed from the Brittania last year come likewise by this Conveyance.

I have likewise sent by this Vessel a seapoy prisoner named Mahomed Sadut for the Murder of his Wife, which after having cruelly perpetrated he attempted to destroy himself with the same Instrument, but failed, his Confession as taken before me in Gentoo and read and explained in my presence, now comes inclosed signed by Him two seapoys come with him as a Guard who have been paid their Arrears for this Month and twenty Days Batta. I am very respectfully

MASULIPATAM
25TH. DECR. 1764.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your very Obedient Humble Servt.
JOHN PYBUS.

No. 19.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

In obedience to the Commands I had the Honor to receive from you at Fort St. George I am to inform you of my arrival here the 9th. Instant since which no Time has been lost in making the necessary Enquiries relating to the Investmt. to be carried on at this Settlement in which I have the Honor to acquaint you that I have met with all the Success that can at present be expected the Merchants promising to exert themselves as much as possible in this Business.

That no Time may be lost I have contracted with five Merchants namely Cansheum Gongeah Dora Chitty Veranah, Pandre Maduum Pregadre Vinkatramadoo and Bandar Vencaty Narsu for six Hundred and fifty (650) Bales of Callicoes on the following Terms.

LONG CLOTH ORDINARY	14	Punjums @	MPr.	34	Pr.	Corge
LONG CLOTH MIDLING	18	Ditto @		48	Pr.	Ditto
LONG CLOTH FINE	23	Ditto @		60	Pr.	Ditto

and have advanced one quarter part of the same amounting to ten Thousand two hundred (10200) Madras Pagodas one half thereof to be delivered by the 31st. August next ensuing and the other half by Ultimo January 1766, should the whole amount not then be brought in, the Ballance at that Time outstanding to be paid in ready Money.

Finding the Demands of the Merchants very unreasonable in regard to the fine Cloth I was afraid even to make the allowance of 2½ pags. per Corge on this Assortment being very apprehensive from their Discourse of their using their utmost Endeavours to get an advance of price also on the other assortments and that it might be look'd on as a sort of precedent for raising ye. Price in future which they are too apt to endeavor at on all Occasions. I therefore endeavored to lower the punjums a small a Matter as this assortment would allow of and to make a small Abatement in the price to which however they would not consent at last after some altercation on both sides, I allowed them to take of one Punjum and the price to remain at sixty Pagodas pr. Corge on promise of their being very carefull to keep up the Quality of the Thread to which they have consented assuring them at the same Time that your Honor

&c^{a}. would by no means allow of an advance of price as you had already judged the price too high and I hope the above will meet your Honors &c^{as}. approbation.

Permit me to assure your Honor &c^{a}. that the utmost frugality shall be used in the temporary Affairs of Sunora Pollam House, and the Godowns for the Washers Beaters and Cloth all which are at present in a very ruinous Condition.

So soon as the Upparah Merchants arrive some of whom at present are at Vizagapatam I shall converse with them on the subject of the Investment and immediately acquaint your Honor &c^{a}. with the Result and upon the whole hope the Merchants will be able to furnish upwards of one thousand Bales for this Years Investment at this Settlement.

As the 12 thousand Pagodas I brought down from the Presidency will not only be insufficient to make the 25 p^{r}. Cent advance but as I shall also be in want of Cash to make the payments for the Cloth as it comes in also for advances to the Washermen and Current Expences. I am in hopes your Honor &c^{a}. will be pleased to send an early and sufficient supply which will be the greatest Means to forward the Investment.

I have been very carefull in making the strictest Enquiries into the Characters and abilities of the Merchants at present employed who are the same or of the same Families that have been employed in this Branch of Business before when any new Merchants offer themselves as well as on every other occasion where it may be necessary. I shall agreable to your Commands consult with the Resident at Bandarmalanca.

I shall make particular Enquiry if any Quantity of Broad Cloth can be disposed of in this part of the Country and acquaint your Honor &c^{a}. of the same as soon as such Enquiry can be thoroughly made.

Having done myself the Honor to acquaint you of the Material that presents itself at present on the subject of the Investment I have only to beg Leave to assure your Honor &c^{a}. of my most strenuous Endeavours to keep up the Quality and encrease the Quantity thereof as much as possible and in every Thing to fulfill your Intentions in the Trust Your Honor &c^{a}. have been pleased to repose in me.

I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

INGERAM
THE 17 JAN^{RY}. 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble and most obedient Servant
GEORGE DOLBEN.

N^{o}. 20.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have received your Favor of the 16th. Instant since which the Admiral Watson has imported here and agreable to your Direction shall dispatch her to you as soon as the Troops to be sent in her arrive with what Bales we may then have ready.

The Term of our Merchants contracts for the last years Investment being expired We must acquaint your Honor &c^{a}. that they have not brought in near

the Quantity of Cloth they contracted for there being deficient no less than nineteen thousand nine Hundred and seventy nine (19979) pieces of which each Merchants proportion were as follows Viz^{t}.

Streeshleputty	...	Ps. 8064
Neela Chittee	...	6360
Irshippa Chittee	...	5000
Moodu Kistna	...	555
		19979

We have from Time to Time acquainted your Honor &c^{a}. with their Remisness and of our fruitless Endeavors to make them exert themselves and perform their Engagements and We have since called them before us to know the Cause for this Failure in them but they hav^{g}. assigned no sufficient reasons for it they appear to us exceedingly culpable and as so, cannot avoid representing them to you wherefore as well as in Conformity to your orders we have endeavor'd to find other Persons to contract for this years Investment & three have accordingly offer'd Viz^{t}. Paupah Chittee and Samy Nauda of Porto Novo & Sautah Vencatashilim of this Place whose Characters and Circumstances the Chief has enquired into and from the best Information he has been able to procure he is assured they are substantial People and in good Credit and therefore thinks he may venture to recommend them to your Honor &c^{a}. as proper persons to be admitted as Companys Merchants not only as it may be a means of encreasing our Investment by having more Merchants but may probably make the old ones exert themselves when they find others likewise contract, however this we refer to your Honor &c^{a}. Consideration as well as the measures you would have taken for making the Contracts for the present year, only beg leave to observe that the sooner some steps are taken about it the better to avoid the Loss of Time, that happend last year, it having been the latter End of July before a single piece of Cloth was brought in and which is the only plea our Merchants pretend to make for their present Deficiencies.

The three abovemention'd Persons are willing to contract for several of the different Sortments of of [*sic*] our Investment and Samy Nauda does not require the first year that the Quarter part of the Amount of his Contract sh'd remain in his Hands as the rest do, but promises after the first advance to bring in Cloth to the amount of about two thousand pagodas more than what may be advanced him and when paid for that to do the like on the next advance and so on and Paupah Chittee agrees that either he or his Brother will come and reside in our Districts if you should require it.

Since the Conclusion of the late Contracts we have resorted all the turn'd out Cloth agreable to your Directions on that Head, and have taken in on Account of the Honble Comp^{y}. such of it as were thought adequate to the abatement of 10 p^{r}. Cent so with this and what had before been brought in on account of the Contracts we have now 518 Bales on Hand, but a considerable Part of it being taken in so lately it will be some Time before we can have it all ready for embaling, however your Honor &c^{a}. may be assured we will expedite it as much as possible.

In Consequence of your Honor &c^{a}. permission we have repaird the Companys Garden House here, which the Chief now makes his Residence in the Conducting of which we assure you the greatest parsimony has been observed notwithstanding on making up the accounts, we find it has exceeded something the Estimate we mentioned to you. It amounting to Pag^{s}. 1280 p^{r}. account particulars herewith transmitted to you but as your Honor &c^{a}. must be sensible of the Difficulty of forming a Calculation with perfect Exactness and there being besides several out Houses and other Conveniences absolutely necessary

which did not then occur to us and therefore were not included in the said Estimate We hope your Honor &c^{a}. will not object to this small Additional Charge. Our monthly accounts wait on you herewith and are with great Respect

CUDDALORE
26TH. JEN^{RY}. 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Honble Servant
J. L. SMITH.
JOHN CALLAND.

N^{o}. 21.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &C^{A}.
COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We now dispatch to you the Caernarv[on] with a Loading for your Presidency of two hundred and fifty Tons of Salt Petre and the packing stuff indented for with your Letter of the 13th. [August] and ninety three Chests of opium and a further Quantity of packing stuff for the Presidency of Fort Marlbro, to be forwarded [there] by our Honble Masters Ship Admiral Watson which [in] your Letter of the 15th. October you advised us you expected would be with you from Batavia, in the Course of last Month and intended returning to Fort Marlbro and you have herewith the Invoices and Bills of lading for the whole together with a Letter of Advice to accompany the Consignment by the Admiral Watson which we request may be duely forwarded with it.

We have further embarked on the Caernarvon the Marines of his Majestys ship Medway who did not arrive from Camp in Time to proceed on her and have refer'd the Captain to you for payment of their passage, a List of them you will also receive accompanying.

We wrote to you last under date the 19th. Novem^{r}. of which we now transmit a Duplicate and We have since received your Letters of the 15th. and 29th. October and 1st. Ultimo.

Our recommending to you to send the Admiral Pocock round to Bombay was in Consequence of our Receipt of the Advices from that Presidency concerning their Tonnage, which they informed you of having transmitted and we at the same Time acquainted them in answer with our having so wrote to you and further that if the Kent which we are advised is to bring L^{d}. Clive out to the Government of this Presidency arrived in any tolerable Time We should dispatch her also to them, and that as the Asia would in all probability be too late to return to their side, We should as well to assist Captain Inglis (agreably to our Honble Masters Recommendation) as to save the Demorage of the ship, dispatch her to you in order to proceed to China. The Calcutta imported here the 15th. of November having been dispatch'd from Bombay as advised to you by that Presidency to assist in conveying round the Salt Petre, with which we promised to furnish them, We accordingly orderd five thousand Bags to be ship'd on board her with which we shall return her as soon as they are laden.

The Devonshire our first ship to Europe from hence received her Dispatches at Ingerlee the 9th. Ult^{o}. and we are now preparing the Vansittart to follow her which We hope she will be able to do by the End of the Current Month.

We have depended on the Bute for conveying to Europe the Remainder of our Investment, but as she does not yet appear, and you have advised us that you expected the Princess Augusta to arrive with you from Batavia with a further part of the Troops by the latter End of the last Month We must request

in Order that we may be provided against the disappointment of a Latter ship for which we shall be prepared with a full cargo, that you will dispatch her round to us and if the Bute should arrive in Time for her destination the other shall be returnd to you in order to proceed agreably to your Intention to China. We transmit by the Caernarvon a small Box Packet addressed to our Honble Masters which we request may be accordingly forwarded on by her on her Departure from your place.

We are with Esteem
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient Humble Servants

J. SPENCER.
C. S. PLAYDELL.
RALPH LEYCESTER.
JOHN BURDETT.

FORT WILLIAM
3D. JANRY. 1765.

No. 22.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT GOVERNOR &CA.
COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Agreable to the Orders of the Honble the President and Council of Fort William dated the 3d. of January 1765 I repaird on board the Honble Companys Ship Caernarvon Captn. Norton Hutchinson Commander to dispatch her to Madras and under this Cover I have enclos'd Captn. Norton Hutchinsons Receipts for your Honors &ca. packets. I have this day deliverd Captain Norton Hutchinson his Dispatches and having musterd the ships Company survey'd the Guns Ammunition &ca. on board and find them as follows vizt.:

Men	...	...	99
Guns	...	...	26
Barrels of powder	...	...	30
Rounds of shot	...	...	30

with passengers Miss May. Bradley John Christian Mr. Camptopher Captn. Wimes, with five Searjeants 4 Corporals and 7 private Men. With ammunition and small arms in proportion. The Ship now appears in very good Order, draws 18 Feet 10 Inches on an even Hull and is in a proper Condition to make a good defence against an Enemy. I wish her a safe and speedy Voyage to Madras

And am with the greatest Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient Humble Servant

RICH: DEAN.
Dy. Mr. Attt.

SHIP CAERNARVON
INGELLEE ROAD
THE 10TH. JANRY. 1765.

No. 23.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA.
COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

In Obedience to your orders of the 10th. Instant, I have given publick Notice for receiving proposals for reletting the Arrack Farm at this place for

the ensuing year and have now the Honor to inclose you three Papers which were deliverd on this day in Consequence the persons they come from are

Toddapollah Rimniah who has had the Farm this four years last past, never failed of paying his Rents regularly and bears a very good character.

Cottarah Chinniah & Beeckum Perie formerly Servants to French Officers are people in bad Circumstances and bear but indifferent Characters.

Bodaputty Subarauze a Braminy employed by the Cutwall in low Condition and not to be recommended.

Enclosed I have the Honor to transmit you the accounts of this Settlement for last Month and am with the greatest Respect

MASULIPATAM
26 JANRY. 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient Humble Servant
GEORGE DAWSON.

No. 24.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA.
COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have been favord with your Commands of the 24 Ulto. to which we shall pay due attention, the Dutch Chief of Jaggernautporum has made no application to us for Bills on your Presidency.

We have now to transmit you a copy of a letter from the President and Council of Fort William requesting us to send them the few Europeans which were landed at this place from the ship Illocos and We likewise enclose a copy of an answer thereto which We hope will meet with with [*sic*] your approbation.

Application has been made to us by Mr. Mason surgeon of the Revenge for subsistence Money, he having received none from the Honble Company for near two years and being in great distress for the Want thereof We have advanc'd him the sum of four hundred Rupees which we hope your Honor &ca. will approve, and we now enclose a Copy of his Letter to the chief on that subject. Mr. Ross advices he has lately been left a Fortune of twenty thousand Pounds Sterling in England.

The Accounts of this Settlement are herewith inclosed for last Month, by the Ballance of Cash you will please to observe the Necessity we are in for a speedy Remittance.

The Cloth now remaining on Hand is expressed at the Foot hereof.

VIZAGAPATAM
15TH. JANRY. 1765.

We are with much Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient Humble Servants
JOHN SMITH.
CHAS. SMITH.
WM. BARKER.

CLOTH ON HAND.

	Embaled.	Cs.	Ps.	
L.C.O.W.	96 Bas	144	—	
L.M.W.	53	106	—	
L.C.F.W.	16	32	—	
				282
	165 Bas.			

AT THE WASH.

	Cs.		
L.C.O.	174	19	
L.C.M.	91	1	
L.C.F.	71	9	
			337 9

IN THE WAREHOUSE.

L.C.O.B.	42	15	
L.C.M.B.	14	—	
L.C.F.B.	10	1	
			66 16
		Corge	686 5

P.S^t.

Since the Close of our Letter, the Surgeon has delivered us an Indent for Medicines which we hope you'll be pleas'd to comply with by the first Opportunity.

In our address of the 31st. Ultimo we observe an Error in the advances made the Lascars that day which we have since rectified so that instead of pagodas 58 we should have said Pagodas 56 which will reduce the whole of those Expences to the sum of Current Pagodas 176.

We are with due Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient Humble Servants

JOHN SMITH.
CHAS. SMITH.
WM. BARKER.

TO JOHN SMITH ESQR.
CHIEF AT VIZAGAPATAM.

SIR

Through the Misfortune of my Illness that I have so long laid under and still remains on me I cannot have the pleasure of waiting on you in person which I hope you will take as a sufficient Excuse for writing to you to desire the Favor to advance me part of my pay that is due to me by the Honble Company as I have not received any for near two years and the little that I brought with me is expended, my allowance is 45 Rupees pr. Month for myself and Servant, at present I belong to the Revenge Commodore Watson. Your answer will much oblige.

VIZAPATAM
5TH. JANRY. 1765.

SIR
Your most obedient Humble Servant
J. Y. MASON.

No. 25.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
Presidt & Govr. &ca.
Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have received your Favor of the 8th. Inst. as also a Duplicate Letter from your Secretary dated the 12th. Ditto.

As a Conveyance by sea is very precarious We have agreable to your Commands this day order'd the Seapoys to proceed by Land under the Command of Ensign Casemore an We have advanced them their pay for the Month of August last so that they now have only arrears due for the Month of Septr. This advance was made them to pay what they were indebted to the Inhabitants and We have given them their full pay for this Month for to defray their Expences on the Road, you have enclosd. the pay Rolls for the same as also Ensign Casemores Notes for his, & the Sepoy Serjeant Majors pay for the Month of February.

Your orders regarding the European Officers and the Nabobs Troops proceeding to Madras by the first Conveyance have been communicated to them as there is no probability of an opportunity offering soon without paying Freight for a Vessel to carry them and their Baggage.

We imagine you will think it best for the Nabobs Troops to proceed by Land. We understand they will expect the usual Batty, therefore We shall wait your further orders about them, the two Officers may possibly meet with some Conveyance by Sea.

We observe you have been pleased to order us a small Remittance by the Porpus Sloop which We must beg you'll please to enlarge by the first opportunity as that sum can be no Ways adequate to our Expences and advances which are now required for the use of our Investment.

We must beg your directions regarding 4 Leagars of Batavia Arrack left at this place by the Ship Illocos belonging to the Honble Company and as they undoubtedly must waste by keeping we should be glad of your orders for the disposal of them. The Cloth remaining on Hand is expressed at the Foot hereof.

Vizagapatam
26th. Janry. 1765.

We are with due Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Humble Servants

John Smith.
Chas. Smith.
Wm. Barker.

Cloth on Hand.

L.C.O.W.	96 Bas.	Cov.	144	
L.C.H.W.	53 do.		106	
L.C.F.W.	16 do.		32	
	165			282

At the wash

L.C.O.	226	10	
L.C.M.	127	18	
L.C,F.	91	—	
			445 8

In the Warehouse.

L.C.O.B.	6	2	
L.C.M.B.	11	2	
L.C.F.B.	1	16	
			19 —
Corge			746 8

N°. 26.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esq^r.
President & Governer &c^a.
Council of Fort S^t. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have the Honor to transmit to you the accounts of this settlement for last Month.

Since doing myself the Honor of addressing you under date the 17^th. Ultimo I have contracted with Dontum Chitty Verapah for one Hundred and thirty (130) Bales on the same Terms as agreed upon with the other Merchants and have advanced him one thousand (1000) Madras pagodas in part of the twenty five p^r. Cent advance being all the state of the Cash would then allow.

The Upparah Merchants being arrived I have conversed with them on the subject of the Investment and they have promised to exert themselves therein as much as possible. I have contracted with Lackum Chittee Pattisum one of the above Merchants for one Hundred and thirty (130) Bales on the same terms as the former but at present am unable to make him any advance. I have however promised him to do it out of the first supply I may receive, the other Upparah Merchants have yet some Ballances to make up at Vizagapatam, so soon as which are finished they have agreed to enter into Contract with me on the same Terms as the others and I have the greatest Reason to hope if I receive sufficient supplies early that I shall be able to give your Honor &c^a. entire satisfaction in the provision of this years Investment at this Settlement.

In obedience to your Commands of the 24^th. December I have charged for my travelling Expences fifty pagodas and have paid for M^r. Stonehouses travelling Expences amounting to pagodas sixty Eight as p^r. the enclosed Account. I also beg leave to lay before you an Account of my Expences amounting to pagodas 167·24 which as they were unavoidable and the greatest oeconomy [*sic*] used. I hope your Honor &c^a. will be pleased to allow me to Charge the Remainder.

As I was obliged to bring a Linguister with me from Madras to whom I pay five pagodas pr. Month thee being no person to act in such a Capacity, the Braminy formerly belonging to the Factory being dead and a dubash that is here grown quite incapable for many years past thro old age requests your Honor &c^a. will be pleased to permit me to make this small Charge and as most of the necessaries of Life are very dear at this place and there are no Immoluments of any kind I most humbly request that your Honor &c^a. will be pleas'd to take this Matter in Consideration and make such an allowance as may to your Honor &c^a. seem meet to answer my Expences, your Honor &c^a. being pleas'd to grant such an allowance at Vizagapatam where

provisions of all kinds are much cheaper leaves me not without Hopes that I may meet with the like Indulgence which by the strictest attention to the Business here, I shall to the utmost of my power endeavor to merit. I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

INGERAM
THE 1ST. FEBRUARY 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble & most obedt. Servant
GEORGE DOLBEN.

No. 27.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNER &CA.
COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

1. We have received your Letters of the 25th. August & 29th. Septr. 15th. & 31st. October & 23 Ultimo.

2. It is with a particular satisfaction we can acquaint your Honor &ca, that the non Arrival of the Lord Mansfield was occasion'd only by her late Departure from Bengal which obliged her to go to the Southward and to touch at Acheen for Water from whence she had a very tedious passage she is now taking in Salt Petre and piece Goods and We propose dispatching her in a few Days to fill up upon the Mallabar Coast, for Europe, whither the Anson was dispatched the 14th. Instant.

3. The Assia imported the 5th. Instant & we shall either order her to touch at Callicut for the Timber & Plank provided for your Honor &ca. or endeavour to convey it by some other means.

4. We do not make use of parting Glasses in our Mint and cannot therefore comply with your Honor &ca. Request for a supply thereof.

5. Mr. Bourchier's Bill of Exchange for By. Rs. 9887–2–45 on Captn. George Thompson has been duely discharged by his Attornies and the amount carried to your Credit and as our Treasury is very low we request your Honor &ca. will accept any other Bills which may be tenderd and we shall take the Liberty of drawing on you as Opportunities offer.

BOMBAY CASTLE
27TH. DECEMR. 1764.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient Humble Servants
CHAS. CROMMELIN.
WM. HORNBY.
WM. A. PRICE.
CHAS. WATERS.
JAS. BYLEY.
R. H. BODDAM.

N°. 28.

To the Right Honble Robert Palk Esq^r^.
President and Governor of Fort S^t^. George
on the Coast of Choromandel at Madras.

Honble Sir

I have had the Honor to receive your Favor of the 10^th^. of last Month concerning a protested Bill of Exchange for payment from Batavia on our Resident at Cuddalore Lieter Baars Jun^r^. Merchant to M^r^. Randolph Marriott drawn by Mess^rs^. Boonen and Uytrlugt of said Batavia on said Baars and the second of Pollicot Johannes Camper amounting pagodas 250. I find myself obliged to answer on this account that the persons on whom the said Bill is drawn according to your Desire should be very willing to pay the same, nevertheless they think such out of their power to be able to do with Equity, because M^r^. Baars has acquainted me that M^r^. Utylught afterwads desired of him and M^r^. Camper not to pay M^r^. Marriots Bill by his Letter from Batavia of the 25^th^. June 1763 for reason of a pretention on him amount^s^. 600 Ryx D^s^. according a Bond for payment on his Charge in said M^r^. Uytrlugts hands passed in Favor or M^r^. Themote Delvin who lately died of whose Estate M^r^. Uytrlught was Executer and Retriever, and since I trust that by these demonstrations, you will be with me in full of the same sentiments, I must acknowledge that I am very sorry not to be able to accomplish your Desires in this affair, although I do assure that in other occasion you will find me ever ready to your service as much as it lays in my power as I am with the greatest Esteem

Nagapatnam
y^e^. 1 Febru^y^. 1765.

Honble Sir
Your most faithfull friend and most obedient Servant
C. Vanteylingen.

N°. 29.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esq^r^.
President and Governor &c^a^.
Council of Fort S^t^. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

This waits on you p^r^. the Ship Admiral Watson which we now dispatch to you with three Hundred and sixty Bales of Callicoes on account of the Honble Company Invoice of which and Bill of Lading we shall forward to you p^r^. the Tappies and are with great Respect

Cuddalore
10^th^. Feb^ry^. 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient Humble Servants
J. L. Smith & John Calland.

P.S.

We have taken this opportunity of forwarding to your Honor &c^a^. the Books of this Settlement for last Year which are given in Charge of M^r^. Money the commanding officer of the ship.

J. L. Smith.

No. 30.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca.
Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

This Accompanys Duplicate of our Address pr. Admiral Watson which sailed Yesterday and likewise encloses you Invoice and Bill of Lading of the Bales we consigned you on her as there are yet one Hundred and sixty three Bales on Hand. We should be glad to have your Honor &ca. Directions in what Manner you would have them sent to your Presidency.

Our last Account and other Monthly Papers wait upon you herewith, by the first your Honor &ca. will observe we have but a small Ballance of Cash remaining and which is since considerably diminishd by Advances to the Washers and Ballances are besides due to some of our Merchants, we therefore request your Honor &ca. will favor us soon with another supply.

We are with much Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient Humble Servants

Cuddalore
11th. Februy. 1765.

J. L. Smith.
John Calland.

List of Cloth on Hand.

At the Washers	Bales	86
At the Beaters		29
At the Dyers		48
	Balles	163

No. 31.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca.
Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The enclosed is Duplicate of our last Letter under Date the 3d. Instant since when we have received yours of the 7th. Ulto. and have given due Honor to the Bill of Exchange therein advised. We have now the pleasure to acquaint you with the arrival of the Bute at Ingerlee the 15th. Instant from which Circumstance you will observe we shall have no Occasion for the Princes Augusta or any other Ship for transporting to Europe the Remainder of our Investment, and judging it essential that you should have the earliest Notice of this, from the pressing Request we made to you in our aforesaid Letter, We have directed the Calcutta on the point of her Departure for Bombay to call and deliver you this after which we request she may be dispatched on agreably to her Destination.

We are with Esteem
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient Humble Servants

Fort William
10 Janry. 1765.

J. Spencer.
C. S. Playdell.
Ralph Leycester.
John Burdett.

No. 32.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca.
Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We are to acknowledge the Receipt of your Favors of the 8th. and 14th. Instant.

We shall punctually follow your Directions regarding the Renewal of the Contracts for the present year and have already acquainted the Merchants with the several Sortments and Quantities your Honor &ca. would have provided for the new Investment and recommend it to them to deliver in their Proposals as soon as possible which when they have complied with will inform you with the Result.

The Cloth we have on hand cannot be ready for embaling before the End of the Month when if any proper Vessel touches here in her Way to Madras shall embrace the opportunity of sending our Bales by her.

On the Arrival of the Army we will take Care the Arrack Farmer complies with the Terms of his Cowle.

We are with great Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient Humble Servants
J. L. Smith.
John Calland.

Cuddalore
18 Februry. 1765.

List of Cloth on Hand.

At the Washers	...	...	...	...	...	...	63
At the Beaters	...	...	...	...	...	...	52
At the Dyers	...	...	...	...	...	...	48
					Bales	...	163

No. 33.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca.
Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have been honord with your Commands of the 8th. and 11th. Instant, the former enclosing List of Goods with Directions for the Current Years Investment. I have forwarded the one for Bandarmalanca and shall proceed to enter into Agreement with the Merchants here for Chay Goods so soon as the present Contract is compleated.

I have this day received advice from Mr. Whitehill at Bandarmalanca of his having dispatched 190 of the Honble Companys Bales on board the Sloop Porpoise which sailed from thence directly for Fort St. George the 14th. Inst. By the Ship Lord Howe now in this Road which will sail for Madras in two or

three Days at farthest, I purpose sending up thirty one Bales of Chay Goods which I hope will reach your Honor &c^{a}. safe and in Time for the Ship now under dispatch for England.

Jaddapollah Ramniah the Arrack Renter of this place has been acquainted with your having been pleased to renew his Cowle for that Farm for the present year.

I am with the greatest Respect

MASULIPATAM — HONBLE SIR & SIRS

17TH. FEBRU^{RY}. 1765. — Your humble Servant

GEORGE DAWSON.

N^{o}. 34.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &C^{A}.

COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Inclosed wait on your Honors Invoice and Bill of lading of 190 Bales of Callicoes laden on board the Sloop Porpus amounting to Current Pagodas 15824–15–72, being informed the ship destined is to sail the latter End of this Month is the Reason for my not ordering the Sloop to touch at Masulipatam for fear she sho'd not arrive at Madras in Time for the Europe Ship. I hope therefore this Step will meet with your Honor &c^{a}. approbation there are about 120 Bales more at the wash which I hope to get packed up and sent away by the 20th. Instant.

Permit me Honble Sirs to request you will be pleased to allow me an Assistant to this Factory and to raise my Allowance. I am with the greatest Respect

BANDARMALANCA — HONBLE SIR & SIRS

14TH. FEBRU^{RY}. 1765. — Your most obedient and most humble Servant

JOHN WHITEHILL.

N^{o}. 35.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &C^{A}.

COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

By the Ship Lord Howe Thomas Gilson Master bound for your port I have consigned to you thirty one Bales of Chay Goods on account of the Honble Company as p^{r}. Invoice and Bill of lading inclosed.

I wish the Vessell safe to you and am very respectfully

MASULIPATAM — HONBLE SIR & SIRS

20TH. FEBRU^{RY}. 1765. — Your most obedient Humble Serv^{t}.

GEORGE DAWSON.

No. 36.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.

President and Governor &ca.

Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have now the Honor to acknowledge the Receipt of the 12000 five hundred pagodas you was pleased to send us by the Porpus Sloop which sum will be only a supply of 800 pagodas to each Merchant which is not sufficient as now is the best time for providing Cloth, therefore we hope you will assist us with a further Remittance by the earliest opportunity.

Captain Faizan with the Nabobs Troops and officers have taken their passage in a paddy Vessell which will sail in a few Days and we have advanced them their pay for August last to defray the peoples Debts here so that now have only arrears due for September and we have given them their full pay for this Month, all the Rolls for which are herewith inclosed as also Mr. Troubacks Note for his Sea Batta and Mr. Masons Receipt for what we before advised you was advanced him, the private Soldiers that remain here of Captain Faizans Company have applied to be put on this Establishment, which we shall comply with as soon as their officers leave this place.

Agreable to your Commands of the 28th. Ulto. Mr. Charles Smith will take the first opportunity of proceeding to Madras and he returns you many Thanks for your Appointment.

We are now to acquaint that Mr. Dolben wrote us the 29th. Ultimo concerning the Upparah Merchants being under his Department agreable to your Commands but as we have not been favord with your answer to our Letter of the 5th. Ultimo on that subject, we have omitted writing him till such Time we are favord with your sentiments on that Head and we must likewise acquaint you with the many Difficulties that now incur with Mr. Dolbens interfering with our Investment, as we find his Merchants have contrary to your Intentions taking some advantage of our Merchants not having Money upon which they have employd their Gohmasters, in the Toony Country to provide Cloth from the Weavers which was intended for our Investment and we also must observe to you that he has sent for three of our Upparah Merchants and offerd to advance them Money one of which accepted of the same, but the other two rejected his offers and they both write if they are to be forced from their old plan, and shd. be obliged to deliver Cloth at Ingeram they will entirely quit Upparah and settle in the Rajahs Country, which proves the apparent Necessity of their being continued on the former Establishment, which we flatter ourselves will meet with your Concurrence.

The Accounts of this Settlement for last Month are now enclosed.

The Cloth remaining on Hand is expressed at the Foot hereof, and we are in Hopes of sending you the Bales very soon.

We are with due Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obedient Humble Servants

John Smith.

Chas. Smith

Wm. Barker.

Vizagapatam

16th. Febr. 1765.

CLOTH ON HAND.

	Embaled.	Bas.		C°.
L.C.O.W.		184	or	276
L.C.M. d°.		94		188
L.C.F. d°.		40		80
	Bas ..	318		544

AT THE WASH.

L.C.O.	94	10	
L.C.M.	47	—	
L.C.F.	49	18	
			191 8

IN THE WAREHOUSE

L.C.O.B.	21	2	
L.C.M. d°.	29	17	
L.C.F. d°.	4	7	
			55 6
	Corge ..		790 14

N°. 37.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA.
COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

1. The accompanying is Duplicate of our last since when We have not received any of your Favors.

2. Enclosed is a Bill of Exchange payable to you on the Governor and Council at Tranquebar, for three hundred and twelve Pagodas and eighteen Pags . Fas. Fanams (312–18) which we request you recover and carry to our Credit.

3. We dispatch'd our Honble Masters Ship Lord Mansfield the 7th. Instant, to fill up on the Coast for Europe.

4. We have drawn two sets of Bills of Exchange on your Honour &ca. at 325 Arcot Rupees P. 100 Pagodas and 102 Arcot pr. 100 Bombay Rupees and ten days Sight to which we request you will shew due Honor Vizt.

One set dated 26th. Instant for pagodas 2625–29–70 or Rups. 8366–2–46 in Favor of Nicholas Morse received here of Rauson Hart Boddam on Account John Spencer Rups. 8366–2–46 One set dated 27th. D°. for pags. 781–32–78 o[r] Rups. 2491–1–60 in favor of Andrew Ross received here of Andrew Ramsay on Account of Richard Wyatt 2491 1 60

Rups. ... 10858 ... 06

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient Servants

CHAS. CROMMELIN.
WM. HORNBY.
WM. A. PRICE.
CHAS. WATERS.
B. H. BODDAM.

BOMBAY CASTLE
29TH. JANRY. 1765.

No. 38.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca.
Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Both your Favors of the 4th. and 5th. Instant have been duely received, agreable to the former we shall lose no Time in sending our Bales, one Hundred are now ready which we intend dispatching to you the 9th. pr. a Chellenga, the Remainder we hope will be ready for embarking in three or 4 days after when they also shall be sent.

Our Merchants shall be acquainted with the additional quantity of blue Cloth you would have provided & the Surgeons; of your Honor &ca. Intentions to contract for the Necessaries and other Contingt. Charges of our Hospital and as soon as we know the Terms they are willing to undertake it upon will communicate them to you.

We are with much Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient Humble Servants

Cuddalore
7th. March 1765.

J. L. Smith.
Robt. Dowsett.

List of Cloth on Hand.

At the Washers	13
At the Beaters	45½
At the Dyers	2
Embailed	100
Torn	2½
Bas. ...	163

No. 39.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President Governor &ca.
Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have had the Honor to receive your Commands of the 8th. and 12th. Instant & shall pay due Regard to them, in the different proportions of the long Cloths I am providing.

The long Cloth superfine and Beetelas your Honor &ca. have been pleased to order I shall enter into Contract for as soon as possible but must wait, till I have a supply of Cash as I shall then be able to contract on better Terms than I can without it and I am to request your Honor &ca. will be pleased to favor me with your Orders, relating to the Lengths and Breadths of the Beetelas some Assortments being of four Covids, some of three and others of two Covids wide.

I beg leave to return your Honor &ca. my humble thanks for the notice you have been pleased to take of my Request concerning an Increase of Allwance. I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

Ingeram
the 23d. Febr'y 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most humble & most Obedt. Servant
George Dolben.

No. 40.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have the Honor to transmit you the Accounts of this Settlement for last Month.

Having made all possible enquiry about the sale of Broad Cloth I find that a large Quantity cannot be vended in this part of the Country the most I shall be able to dispose of within the year being as near as I can judge about five and thirty Bales, I have likewise made the same enquiry in Regard to Copper of which Commodity by making some into Dubbs and selling some in plate I shall be able to dispose of near two hundred Candy within the same Term, the proportion of the first sort being one third to two thirds of the second sort. I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

Ingeram
1st. March 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most humble and most obedient Servant
George Dolben.

No. 41.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

This waits on you pr. a Chillinga on which we have laden one Hundred Bales of Callicoes on account of the Honble Company the Syrangs Receipt for which with the Invoice we will forward to your Honor &ca. pr. the Tappies hoping she will arrive safe. We remain

Cuddalore
9th. March 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient Humble Servants
J. L. Smith.
Robt. Dowsett.

No. 42.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

This encloses you Invoice and Bill of Lading of One Hundred Bales of Callicoes consigned you yesterday by a Chillinga which hope will arrive soon

the Remainder of our Bales we shall dispatch to your Honor &c^{a}. the Instant they are ready and which we think will not exceed three or four Days at furthest, In the mean time remain with great Respect

CUDDALORE
10TH. MARCH 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient Humble Servants
J. L. SMITH.
ROB^{T}. DOWSETT.

LIST OF CLOTH ON HAND.

At the Beaters	...	38½
At the Dyers	...	2
Embailed ...	...	20
Torn ...	...	2½
B^{s}.	...	63

N^{o}. 43.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I did myself the Honor in my Address to you under date the 1st. Ultimo to acquaint your Honor &ca. that I had conversed with the Upparah Merchants on the subject of the Investment and that they promised to exert themselves therein as much as possible, that I had contracted with one of them namely Lackum Chittee Pattisum and should also contract with the others as soon as they had made up some Ballance they owed at Vizagapatam, they likewise told me they had received no Intimation from the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam concerning Upparah being under my Management but on the contrary was told by them it was not to be so they therefore desired I would write to Vizagapatam on this subject which I did accordingly under date the 29th. January signifying to the Gentlemen there your Honor &c^{a}. commands to me and requesting they would call on the above Merchants Cota Chumbadoo and Deum Bolliah to pay in their Ballances that I might act conformable thereto in contracting with them for their part of the Investment to be carried on at this settlement for the year ensuing; to which I two days ago received for Answer that your Honors &c^{a}. Orders should be complied with as soon as their Merchants had cleared their Ballances, they having made them some advances in order that their Investment might not be at a stand which when settled they should advise me.

As the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam have been pleased however contrary to your Honor &c^{a}. Directions to make farther advances to the Upparah Merchants whose Ballances before the advances lately made them did not amount by the Merchants own Accounts to five hundred pagodas both togoether and which but for the said advance would have been cleared long ago, I am in Hopes that your Honor &c^{a}. will be pleased to direct the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam to let the above Merchants go under my Management agreable to your Honor &c^{a}. former Intentions and to debit Account Current Fort S^{t}. George for their Ballances and thereby permit me to give an Account Current Fort S^{t}. George Credit for the same as otherwise I shall be unable to form any Judgment when

their Accounts may be settled at Vizagapatam, not knowing how long the Gentlemen there may choose to keep them in advance it being also attended with some Inconveniences to have the Merchants at Upparah trading to both settlements.

I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

INGERAM
3D. MARCH 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble and most Obedient Servant
GEORGE DOLBEN.

No. 44.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have the Honor to acquaint you that we have this day laden on board the Snow Bristol Alexander Brodie Commander on Account of the Honble Com pany four Hundred Bales of Callicoes which amounts as pr. Invoice to the sum of Current pagodas 34181–3–32. We hope this consignment will prove to your Honors &ca. satisfaction both with regard to its Quantity and Quality in which we shall think ourselves happy.

We must request you will be pleased to favor us with a supply of Cash as we are in great want for the use of our Investment.

The Invoice and Bill of Lading are herewith inclosed and we have the Honor to remain with the utmost Respect

VIZAGAPATAM
[1ST. MARCH] 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient Humble Servants
JOHN SMITH.
WM. BARKER.

No. 45.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have been favord with your Honor &ca. Letters of the 8th. and 22d. of February as also a List of Goods to be provided at this Settlement which we shall endeavor to comply with, in such Manner we are able according to your Directions but we fear the Loss of our Upparah Merchants will be of great Detriment to our Investment which gives us much Concern. We have wrote Mr. Dolben of your Resolutions on that Head, but have desired those Merchants may first clear their Ballances with us, as we have not long since made some of them advances in order that our Investment might not suffer by being at a stand.

Yesterday we had the Honor to consign you on account of the Honble Company four Hundred Bales of Callicoes of which we now send you a duplicate Invoice and 2d. Bill of lading as also a Copy of our address to you on that subject, you will please to observe that We have made a small Mistake in the Invoice of Fanams 10 in the Article of Long Cloth Midling which is now rectified in the enclosed accounts.

The four Leagers of Batavia Arrack which you ordered to the Presidency could not be sent to the Vessel that carried the Bales as she had not Room. We shall endeavor to send them by the first opportunity part of one of the Leagers which leak'd we have disposed of and shall sell the Remainder of that Cask as soon as possible.

We now enclose an Indent of Stores for this settlement which we request you will comply with being much wanted.

As we before advised you that the last Remittance you was pleased to make us was but barely sufficient to supply our Merchants with the necessary advances. We must again request you will be pleased to favour us with a further supply as soon as possible otherwise our Investment must be entirely at a stand, therefore we hope you will assist us by the earliest opportunity.

Agreable to your Commands we now transmit you an Annual statement of our Investment with the Reasons why a larger Quantity of Cloth has not been provided at this settlement.

Yesterday Mr. Charles Smith took his Departure from hence to Madras overland.

We must now beg leave to remind your Honor &c^{a}. of a former Request which is highly necessary at this juncture as we are now in great Want of a few servants for the different Employs as the Business of the several Branches are considerably encreased of late, particularly in the Warehouse and military Storehouse, the latter by the quantity of Stores received from Manilha which requires more than one persons Attention to take proper Care of, therefore we hope you will make such allowances as you may think necessary.

The Cloth now remaining on Hand is expressed at the Foot hereof and We shall deliver what is remaining now in the Warehouse to the Wash without further delay.

We are with the greatest Respect

VIZAGAPATAM
2^{D}. MARCH 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. humble Servants
JOHN SMITH.
W^{M}. BARKER.

CLOTH ON HAND.

At the Wash.				In the Warehouse.			
L.C.O.	Co.	15 — —		L.C.O.B.	Co.	38	8
L.C.M.		8 — —		L.C.M.B.		37	10
L.C.F.		6 — —		L.C.F.B.		8	9
		29 — —				84	13
				Corge ..		113	13

P.S.—We have this day paid Simon Baker Soldier his new inlisting Money for 5 years from the 1st. March as his Time was then expired, we likewise desire your Orders for paying the following persons their new inlisting Money as they desire it and if you do not favor us with your answer we shall look upon your Silence as Consent, Viz^{t}.

PHILIP EICHNEN has not received since May 1758.

ABRAHAM VITTEKER d^{o}. July 1759.

WILLIAM BODDES his Time will expire the 15th. April next.

INDENT OF STORES FOR THE SETTLEMENT OF VIZAPATAM.

CABLES.

13 Inch	1
12 d°.	1
11 d°.	1
15 d°.	1

CORDAGE.

SHROUD HAWSERS	6 Inches	2
ditto	5 ditto	1
ditto	4½ ditto	2
ditto	3⅛ ditto	4
ditto	3 ditto	4

EUROPE BUNTING.

Deep Sea Lines	12	Skains.
Hand ditto	6	ditto
Log ditto	24	ditto
Seizing ditto	24	ditto

WHITE ROPE.

COMPASSES

Brass	6	
Wood	2	
Tar	6	Barrels.
Pitch	4	ditto
Pump Leather	3	Backs.
Europe Twine	100	W^t.
Stationary	1	Chest.

EUROPE SPARRS.

Padlocks	12	
Iron Locks	12	
Brass Locks	12	
Lead	4	Stabs.
Sheatt Lead	2	Rounds.
Lanthorn Horn	10	
Tin d°.	6	

NAILS.

6d. 10d. 24d. 40d	4	Casks.

SHEATHING NAILS

1 Cask Seupper 50 W°. Pump	50	W^t.

EUROPE CANVAS.

From N°. 2 to 5	24	Rolls.
Hour Glasses	6	
Half ditto	6	
Quarter ditto	6	
Anchors one of 6 or 7 Cw^t. one of 7 or 8 ditto		

GRAPNOLS.

Large	2	
Small	2	
Sail Needles	200	
Bolt Rope	24	
Spying Glasses	2	

VIZAPATAM
1ST. MARCH 1765.

WM. BARKER,
Storekeeper.

STATEMENT OF THE VIZAPATAM INVESTMENT FOR 1764.

Quantity of cloth ordered to be provided.	Ps.	Quantity of cloth sent to Madras.	Ps.	Reasons for not sending a larger quantity.
L.C.O.	15,000	L.C.O.	6,750	It has not been in our power to provide more of either ordinary middling or fine as the Merchants have not supplied us with so large a quantity as we could wish.
L.C.M.	6,000	L.C.M.	4,490	
L.C.F.	3,000	L.C.F.	2,450	
Beetel as plain ..	100	Musters sent ..		
Do. flower'd.	100	Pr. ship Llocos ..		

M.B. we have now remaining at the Warehouse & at the was[h] the following.

L.C.O.	1,068
L.C.M	916
L.C.F.	289

VIZAGAPATAM
MARCH 1765.

JOHN SMITH.
WILLIAM BARKER.

No. 46.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS

We have been favor'd with your Letter of the 21st. since which the ten thousand pagodas advised us therein to be forwarded for the use of this settlement have been received.

Agreable to your appointment Mr. Dowsett has taken his station as third in Council here and will in consequence take Charge of some Employs of the Settlement the approaching Month.

The Number of sick in our hospital being greatly encreased by the arrival of the Army our Surgeon informs us of a further supply of cloathing and other Necessaries are wanted an [*sic*] accordingly has presented us the accompanying Indent which we request your Honor &ca. will be pleased to comply with, the Cotts is an article he has much occasion for and cannot be made here, Wood and the other Materials not being to be got which obliges us to apply to you for them.

We are with much Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient and most Humble Servants

CUDDALORE
28TH. FEBRUARY 1765.

J. L. SMITH.
ROBT. DOWSETT.

No. 47.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

GENTLEMEN

Mr. Lewis Cavalho having paid 9000 Spanish Dollars into our Treasury this is to inform you we have given him Bills on your presidency payable to himself or order at twenty one days sight for pagodas 6428–20–46 the Exchange

being reckond at 10 pagodas for 14 Dollars to which We request the Favor that you will pay due Honor. We are

CANTON
7TH. NOVR. 1764.

GENTLEMEN
Your most obedient Humble Servants

THOS. FITZHUGH.
SAMUEL BLOUNT.
NATHL. GARLAND.
WM. MACKENZIE.
AR. HUME.
STEPHN. DEVISME.
THOS. SMITH.
MANN HORNER.
WM. ROUS.
WM. HARRISON.

No. 48.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

GENTLEMEN

We take the Liberty to inform you we have this day drawn on you at 21 Days sight for pagodas 1500 Payable to Mr. Nizar Cojemal or order being in full for (2100) two thousand and one Hundred Spanish Dollars received into the Companys Treasury here of Mr. Enas Narcissi at 10 pagodas for 14 Dollars to which we request you will pay due Honor.

We are
GENTLEMEN
Your most obedt. Humble Servants

CANTON
NovR. 22D. 1764.

THOS. FITZHUGH.
SAMUEL BLOUNT.
NATHL. GARLAND.
WM. MACKENZIE.
ALEXR. HUME.
STEPHN. DEVISME.
THOS. SMITH.
MANN HORNER.
WM. ROUS.
WM. HARRISON.

No. 49.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

GENTLEMEN

We are to inform you we have this day drawn on you at twenty one days sight in Favor of Messrs. Palk Morse & Hollond or order for pagodas seven Hundred fourteen ten Fanams twenty three Cash pagodas 714–10–23 being in

F. C.

full for one thousand new Mexico Dollars received into the Treasury here at the Exchange of ten pagodas for 14 Spanish Dollars to which We request you will pay due Honor.

We are

CANTON — GENTLEMEN

8TH DECR. 1764. — Your most obedient and most humble Servants

THOS. FITZHUGH.
SAML. BLOUNT.
NATHL. GARLAND.
WILLIAM MACKENZIE.
AR. HUME.
STEPN. DEVISME.
THOS. SMITH.
MANN HORNER.
WM. ROUS.
WM. HARRISON.

No. 50.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

GENTLEMEN

Since our Letter to you of the 8th. November we have received yours by the Earl of Lincoln which Ship arrived here the 16th. of last Month Captain Hardwicke saw the Duke of Gloucester in the Streights of Mallacca but We have not yet had any Accounts of her being on the Coast of China.

We have by further aids encreased our stock to more than a Million of Tales as you will see by the accompanying Estimate, this sum will fully load our Ten ships and leave a Ballance in our Hands of about forty thousand Tales, but should one or two Ships come by the Pitts Passage, this will not go far in purchasing their Cargoes and we must buy on Credit, to dispatch them which will encrease our Debt here to 243,000 Tales.

Elephants Teeth and Camphire have been this year bad Articles you will be able to judge by the Canton Price Current enclosed what Goods will answer for this place though it can be no sure Guide as the Market here is very fluctuating but you may be certain that if goods proper for Canton and good in quality can be purchas'd at a Reasonable Rate we shall be able to dispose of as many as you can load on the ships consigned to us from your Presidency.

The Gold we hope to get a tolerable profit on but should it sell lower than we expect it will we think certainly answer better than silver at 14 Dolls. for 10 pags. as there is not a large quantity of it.

We are sorry to inform you that the Muxadavat was lost in the Evenining of the 13th. November on the Island of Haynan and went to pieces in less than three Hours after she struck. By this unfortunate Accident 44 people were drown'd among whom were Captain Bover Mr. Bakewell Chief Mate Mr. Lacam Third Mate and Mr. Ham purser. Mr. Bacon second Mate and a Boy with

seventy five Lascars were saved and brought up to Canton at the Emperors Expence the Mandareens treating them on the way with great care & Humanity.

We are

CANTON
DEC^{R}. 22^{D}. 1764.

GENTLEMEN
Your most obed^{t}. humb^{le}. Servants

THO^{S}. FITZHUGH.
SAM^{L}. BLOUNT.
N^{L}. GARLAND.
W^{M}. MACKENZIE.
A^{R}. HUME.
S^{TN}. DEVISME.
THO^{S}. SMITH.
M^{N}. HORNER.
W^{M}. ROUS.
W^{M}. HARRISON

LIST OF SHIPS AT CANTON—1764.

Of what Nation.	Ships Names.	Commanders.	When arrivd at Whampo.	When sail'd frm. Whampo.
English ..	Glatton ..	Poveton ..	Jan^{y}. 30 ..	Mar^{h}. 31st.
D°. ..	Muxadavat from Bengal.	Boyer	Mar^{h}. 1st. ..	Nov^{r}. 10.
D°. ..	Valentine ..	Fernell	Mar^{h}. 27 ..	July 4.
D°. ..	Pocock ..	Hooke	Ap^{l}. 14 ..	Dec^{r}. 3^{d}.
French ..	Mary from Maurities.	Bon Amour ..	June 25 ..	
English ..	Adm^{l}. Pocock f^{m}. Bombay.	Cleugh	June 26 ..	Nov^{r}. 11.
D°. ..	Latham ..	Moffat	July 13 ..	
D°. ..	British King ..	P gou	July 14 ..	
Dutch	Stands Welvaren	Freiyt	July 26 ..	
D°. ..	Aschat ..	Huyper	July 30 ..	
D°. ..	Piuyteveld ..	Vanden Bergh ..	Aug^{t}. 1 ..	
English ..	Lord Clive ..	Webber	Aug^{t}. 1 ..	
Danish	Prince Frederik.	Elphinston ..	Aug^{t}. 8 .	
French	Duede Pentheore.	Duvotenet ..	Aug^{t}. 8 ..	
Danish	Cron prince ..	Swan	Aug^{t}. 10 ..	
English ..	Norfolk ..	Sandys	Aug^{t}. 11 ..	
Dutch	Huysom ..	Pieterze ..	Aug^{t}. 14 ..	
French	Berier	S^{t}. Romain ..	Aug^{t}. 14 ..	
D°. ..	Elephant ..	La Motte ..	Aug^{t}. 14 ..	
English ..	Nancy a Snow f^{m}. Bombay.	Abalampe ..	Sept^{r}. 4 ..	Nov^{r}. 24.
D°. ..	Pitt	Jackson ..	Sept^{r}. 12 ..	
D°. ..	Northumberland.	Milford	Oct^{r}. 2 ..	
Swedish ..	Stockholm Slott.	Olbers	Oct^{r}. 5 ..	
English ..	Lord Holland ..	Nairn	Nov^{r}. 2 ..	
D°. ..	Worcester ..	Hall	Nov^{r}. 3 ..	
D°. ..	Lincoln ..	Hardwicke ..	Nov^{r}. 16 ..	
D°. ..	London ..	Alves	Dec^{r}. 12 ..	

PRICE CURRENT CANTON—1764.

	TA M.C.C.		TA. M.C.C.		
Amber 2 p^{s}. to a Catty ..	10,000 ..	@	12 ..		p^{r}. Catty.
D°. false fine			12 ..		p^{r}. pecul.
d°. ordinary			10 ..		d°.
Alum Nankin			1	800	d°.
Arrack Batavia 45 Doll^{s}. to 50 p^{r}.	Leaguer				
Beelenuts	3 ..	@	3	500	d°.
Birds Nests 1st. Sort very fine ..			10 ..		p^{r}. Catty.
2^{d}. d°.			7 ..		d°.
3^{d}. d°.	4 5000	@	5 ..		d°.
Bicho Demar 1st. Sort very fine ..	34 ..	@	35 ..		p^{r}. pecul.
white ..	3 ..	@	10 ..		d°.
2^{d}. sort ..	20 ..		22 ..		d°.
3 sort ..			16 ..		d°.
Borax			25 ..		d°.
Camphire Borroes Head ..			10 ..		d°.
Belly ..			8 ..		p^{r}. Catty.
Foot ..			2 ..		d°.
D°. China			30 ..		p^{r}. pecul.
Cinnaber native			120 ..		d°.
Cochineal very fine			5040 ..		p^{r}. Catty.
D°. ordinary			3 ..		d°.
Cow Bezoar			10 ..		d°.
Cotch round	4 @ ..		5 ..		d°.
d°. square	6 @ ..		7 ..		d°.
Cotton	8 200	@	10 ..		p^{r}. pecul.
Cloves			70 ..		d°.
Copper Japan			20,500 ..		d°.
Coral Beads and branch Coral according to the Quality.					
China Root			9 ..		d°.
Dragons Blood 1st Sort ..			1 440 ..		p^{r}. cat^{t}y.
Elephants Teeth 9 to a pecul ..	45 @		50		p^{r}. pecul.
Flints			600 ..		p^{r}. Catty.
Gensing Canada 1st. sort ..			1	440	d°.
Gocul			3		p^{r}. pecul.
Galingal			1		d°.
Gambodia	30 @		32		d°.
Hingera or Coarse asafatida unsaleable.					
Hartab or yellow Arsenic ..			9		p^{r}. pecul.
Lead	4 @		4	2000	p^{r}. pecul.
Myrrh			12		d°.
Musk			22		p^{r}. Catty.
Mother of pearl Shells			3		p^{r}. pecul.
Nutmegs			70		d°.
olibanum garbled			8		d°.
ungarbled			4		d°.
Pepper Batavia & Bencoolen ..		11	200		d°.
D°. Malabar			12		d°.
D°. long			2		d°.
Pulchuck 15 p^{r}. Cent to be deducted			70		d°.
Quick Silver			70		d°.
Rose Malloes			27		d°.
Red Wood			3		d°.
Rattans			1	800	d°.
Rhubarb			30		d°.
Raw Silk Nankin			260		d°.

PRICE CURRENT CANTON—1764—*cont.*

	TA. M.C.C.	TA. M.C.C.		
Sago		2		p^{r}. pecul.
Sharks fins fine	18 @	20		d°.
Smats 1st. Sort		24		d°.
Stick Lack } unsaleable.				
Shell Lack }				
Sandal Wood 1st. & 2^{d}. Sort ..	18 @	19	400	D°.
D°. Timor		12		d°.
San Layor Zedoary				
Sapan Wood		1	500	pr. Pecul.
Sugar Candy Chinchew		5	600	d°.
Do. Cochin China ..		5	200	d°.
Tin	11,200 @	12		d°.
Tortoise Shell Thick		60		d°.
Turmerick		3600		d°.
Pearls according to their Goodness.				

ESTIMATE OF STOCKE AT CANTON NOVEMBER—1764.	TALES.
Teas remaining after the dispatch of the Glatton & Valentine.	32,591
Woolens p^{r}. Havannah Glatton and Pocock	1,36,968
Lead from England p^{r}. Glatton & Pocock	26,830
Pepper from Bencoolen p^{r}. Valentine Glatton Pocock & L^{d}. Clive.	1,04,270
Imports from Bombay p^{r}. Latham	24,090
Imports from Bengal p^{r}. British King	19,889
D°. from Madras p^{r}. Pitt Northumberland L^{d}. Holland Worcester & Lincoln.	1,78,785
D°. from England p^{r}. Pitt Northumberland L^{d}. Holland Worcester Lincoln & Norfolk	1,28,146
Silver in the Treasury after Glattons & Valentines measurage were paid.	48,430
Silver from Bengal p^{r}. British King	57,681
Ditto f^{m}. Bombay p^{r}. Latham	81,362
Silver from Madras p^{r}. Northumberland	98,764
Ditto p^{r}. Worcester L^{d}. Holland & Earl of Lincoln	33,700
Money lent at Madras received here on Respondentia ..	12,322
Gold from Madras p^{r}. Worcester and L^{d}. Holland	37,000
A Respondentia Bond from Bencoolen received	1,991
What may be received on bond at Canton Macao	1,04,700
Ditto for Bills on London	51,600
Ditto on Madras	47,400
Imports on Goods and Silver p^{r}. London packet	22,000
Tae. ..	1,248,519

Deduct the following to be paid out of the above.

	Tales.	
China Ware for the Glatton & Valentine.	3817	
Winter Teas	120229	
Charges on Glatton & Vatentine exclusive of Measurage.	2600	
Raw Silk sent Home on the Egmont and Neptune.	18747	
Maccao debt	51790	
Interest thereon	6042	
Bills drawn on us from Bencoolen ..	1479	
Ditto from Manilha ..	1439	206143
Tales ..		1042376

N.B.—the Imports are calculated at the prices that part of them sold for and what it is imagined the Rest will sell for.

THE INVOICE and CANTON PRICES OF GOODS sent from MADRAS TO CHINA 1764. *N.B.* the PAGODA is estimated at 8 Shillings.

	INVOICE PRICE. Tas. dus.	CANTON PRICE. Tas. dus.		Tas. dus.	
Tin	11 850	12	&	11,800	
Camphire	10 700	..		..	Unsold will sell for abt. 7 Tas.
Sandal wood	12,440	19,400		..	
Wax	17,400	18,000		..	..
Cotch	5,400	..		..	Not yet arrived.
Pepper	10,800	12,000		..	..
Cotton	9 300	10,000	&	9,600	..
Pulchuck	57,600	70,000		..	To about a 15 per. Cent as pr. Custom here reduces the price to 59,500.
Olibanum	3,900	..		..	Unsold will sell for abt. 4,500.
Elephants Teeth	41,400	36,000		..	
Redwood	1,200	..		..	Unso'd will sell for abt 9 Tas.
Tippy	5,000	..		..	Not yet arrived.

WEIGHT OF COTTON CONSIGNED FROM MADRAS TO CANTON.

WEIGHT PR. INVOICE			WEIGHT AT CANTON.		
Pr. Northumberland.			Pr. Northumberland.		
Bales.			Bas.		
Cotton 480 G. Wt. 201450			Cotton 480 G. Wt. 207326		
Tare 26 eapr. ..	12480		Tare	20984	
		189000			186422
Pr. Ld. Holland			Pr. Ld. Holland		
Cotton 230 GWt	93782		Cotton 230 GWt.	88607	
Tare 23 ea.	5980		Tare	8688	
		87322			79919
Nett					
Pr. Worcester.			Pr. Worcester.		
Whole Bales.			Whole Bales.		
Cotton 174			Cotton 174		
½ Bales 12 is 6			½ Bales		
	180 GWt. 75873		12 is 6—180 GWt.	75113	
Tare 26 each	4680		Tare	6780	
		71193			68333
Nett lbs.		347515	Nett lb.		334674

N.B.—The Tare of the Northumberlands Cotton was settled at 43 but some that appear'd like half Bales taring 27 an allowance was made in Favor of the Merchant. The Ld. Hollands & Worcesters was settled at 38 pr. Bale but some of them coming up without cords proper deductions were made on that account.

No. 51.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Gentlemen

We have this day drawn on your Presidency for pagodas nineteen Hundred (1900) payable at twenty one days sight to Mr. Gregory Michael or order being in full of two thousand six Hundred and sixty (2660) new Mexico Dollars received of Mr. Jacob Paton at the Exchange of 14 Dollrs. for 10 Pagodas to which we request you will pay due Honor. We are

Canton
5th. Jany. 1765.

Gentlemen
Your most Obedient Humble Servants
Thos. Fitzhugh.
Saml. Blount.
Nathl. Garland.
Wm. Mackenzie.
Alexr. Hume.
Stepn. De Visme.
Thos. Smith.
Mann. Horner.
Wm. Rous.
Wm. Harrison.

No. 52.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I wrote to you by the Macao ship on my arrival here a few days ago & beg leave to refer you particularly to Mr. Palk to whom I have wrote more circumstantially than would become a publick Letter.

Enclosed is an account Current of the Compy. Concern at Soolo from the London's first Voyage, the Cuddalore account not being included, the Sultan having promis'd to fill up his House for the Reception of what Goods may be tender'd in payment of the Companys Debt from the Soloo. I have left a Chinese named Tiongua who has made several Voyage from Amoy to Soolo and had a good Reputation at Manilha to take an Account of these Goods and have promised him permission to send two pecul of Gruft Goods Freight free to China on the Ship which will carry away the Companys Concerns to which I beg the Compy. may be directed to conform.

I confess the Restriction regarding the Indiamen puts me to a great Loss what Measures to advise for withdrawing the Goods lying at Soolo. Captain Alves wou'd engage to conduct a ship of any Burthen thither & indeed I am so well satisfied of the Facility of the Navigation that I think there is not much danger and therefore must still recommend an India man in her way to China as the properest for this purpose small Vessels are not fit for China and the Expence of a large Country ship is very great, it might indeed be so contrived that she should continue some Months at Soolo outward bound and proceeding to China call there in her Return where she might fill up & probably clear

Accounts. If Timber be worth bringing from Soolo it will be easy to bespeak Teak or others of any dimensions on her arrival to take in when she returns, the disappointment of having no ship would not allow me making that use of the Money put on board for this purpose at Manilha such a ship ought to sail as early as possible and I don't think it prudent to continue at Sooloo after the 20th. September.

I must beg leave to observe that it is only by short delivery the Company appear Losers by the Goods laden on the Hawke & Neptune notwithstanding the Additional Charges incurr'd on the former at Manilha but I cannot conceive it any Imputation on me that the Markets should have fallen. You are acquainted with the Rate at which these Goods were to be received & approved of them & in regard to the Mother of Pearl which was accounted at 5 Dolls. Mr. Carter said they might be brought a 11 Dolls. pr. pecul.

In regard to the Cuddalore's Acct. which is in some measure referd to the Company I shall say nothing as it is not yet settled.

Inform'd you last year that no consideration could induce me to delay my Return to England longer than one season I shall accordingly make my application to the Supra Cargoes for a passage on the Latham and have the Honor to be

CANTON
22D. DECR. 1764.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient Hum. Servant
A. DALRYMPLE.

Acct. Current with the Sooloos.

Dr.								Cr.					
			Sd.										
To Amt. 1 proportion Londons Cargo			19999	1	1	7		By amt. of Londons returng. Cargo		1078	2	1	2
To Do. 2d.		do.	208.9	—	—	11		By Do. Stanna		4700	—	—	—
To Do. 3		do.	2784	2	1	11		By Do. Neptune		2065	2	—	—
								By Do. Revenge		611	—	—	—
							43643 1 0 5	By Do. Pocock		297	—	—	—
To Do. St. Annes Cargo							31029 — — —	By Do. Illocos		135	—	—	—
								By Do Sago recd. of London do. ..		836	—	—	—
			S. Ds. ..				74672 1 0 5	By Do. London Cargo for China		2494	1	1	7
Sooloo 29th. Septr. 1764.								By Do. a Pocock for China		2211	2	0	—
Errors Excepted.								By Do. of a pearl recd. fm in D'Ourped L of affir value ..		6000	—	—	—
℔ A. Dalrymple										20429	0	0	9
										54243	0	1	8
									Sd.	74672	1	0	5

NB. 12 Varillas 1 Tally
2 Tallys 1 Sorcar
4 Sorcars 1 Dollar

N°. 53.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.

SIR

I have your Favor of the 5th. August to which I shall now particularly reply.

I am obliged to you for the Extract of Mr. Sullivans Letter. I had once a very favourable Opinion of Mindanao but altho the Northern part which is in possession of the Spaniards be a rich Country, I am well convinced this Island will never answer the Companys purpose, it produces no pepper, the Natives have for some years past been engaged in piratical Expeditions against the spanish Islands so that they are little inclined to Commerce & are very little civilized the interior country inhabited by the Illanon has been laid Waste by a Volcano which a few years since broke out and has obliged most of the Inhabitants to remove, the West Cast is entirely destitute of Soundings & therefore very ill adapted for a maritine Establishment, the Eastern parts are too far from the Track of the Bugguese Navigation to become an Emporium for the Country Trade and these parts of Mindanao have not commodities of their own production sufficient to support an Establishment of any Consequence.

In regard to the North part of Borneo the Case is quite different, few places are better supplied with Harbours the Country now produces a little pepper and if there was a settled Demand the Quantity would be greatly encreased the Country abounds with wild Cattle and has many valuable Commodities the Natives on the Coast are a commercial people who navigate in their own Vessels as far as Java and when I was there in 1762, there was a vessell from Cambosa, at Tampassook the Interior Country is inhabited by Idaan who are very numerous and who will in a few years be of infinite consequence when accustomed to commerce with us.

Besides the situation of the N°. part of Borneo is superior to every place I know for a general port.

I mention'd last year the Sultans Intention of making a partition in his Dominions in Favor of Dato Sarapedin as a strong Inducement to my return to Sooloo. Difficulties arose in regard to this to Obviate all which the Sultan and the people who form the Government of Sooloo made a Cession by Way of Sale to the Company of the Northern part of Borneo from Towsan Abai to Kumannies with all the Islands to the Northward of Borneo comprehending Patawan or Parauag Balabar &ca. and in this Cession it was stipulated that the Company might appoint any of the Sultans Sons or Relations to the administration of these districts and accordingly I gave Sarapodin a Commission to govern them for the Company which was ratified under the Sultans Hand and Seal.

This plan appears to me infinitely the most expedient for the Companys Interest for if the Company will supply Saropodin with Coast Goods he will collect the Produce of the districts under his Jurisdiction and by that means will do more towards establishing the Companys Influence in a year or two than could otherwise be effected in many. I am well convinced Sarapodin who is adored by the Nativies of these Districts is a man of real Honour and Capacity equal to the Task if he is assisted, but otherwise it will be impossible for him to maintain any Influence in the Country.

In my former Letter I mention'd that it seemed to me necessary that some Goods should be sent to the Company this season to Sooloo to be delivered only to such as have clear'd their Accounts which will engage the others both by the Views of Interest and Emulation to pay what they owe, but should they see no distinction made between them who are deficient and those others who have paid their debt, it cannot be expected they will be very strict to their Engagements

or the others assiduous in enforcing the Completion of their Contract. The quantity of these Goods ought not to be to a very great amount. 2000 pags. I think would be sufficient.

Sarapodin I dare say would be accountable for 5000 pags. which I doubt not he would clear the same season if the ship arrived early, however in regard to him & the others I think there should be a great distinction not only as his word may be trusted, but as, if the Company do not lose by him, all his profits will ultimately be to their advantage, & therefore they ought not to desire an equal Gain.

I mention'd also that it seemed necessary to send some Goods to the Sultan as without some he was in a Manner without Revenues I have transmitted the remmorandum [*sic*] he gave me on that Head and also for some Books which he is extremely sollicitous of I mention'd particularly if he had no Goods this season the Regulations he had made in regard to the Birds Nests would be ineffectual. What ever the old man is entrusted with must be done with Caution he is so devoted to gaming that altho he condemns it he cannot refrain, some people suspect his Attachment, for my own part I think it the greatest Wisdom to be blind, where it is not to ones interest to see, this I beg may be a Caution particularly injoin'd his Apostacy will always prevent a Cordial Union with the Spaniards and if we only put a confidence in him so as necessity obliges he can never deceive us, but it is absolutely requisite to appear without suspicion, nor will there be much room for it whilst he finds he has an Interest in our Friendship he has very high Ideas of the Regal authority, Ideas inconsistent with their Constitution and of which the Natives are very Jealous. But his Age will I apprehend prevent any Revolution at his Death it can scare be avoided.

The Competitors will then be Allimooden and Jorack the first Son to Bantilan succeeded his Father and resigned to his uncle on his return from Manilha but not so handsomely as to avoid incurring disgust. He is married to the Present Sultans Daughter sister to Saropodin a Woman of high spirit & Capacity the Husband cannot write or read so that he is in a Manner dependant on his Wife, young Allimodins party is very powerfull & comprehends many whom it must be our Interest to be United with, but he has not shewn himself a Man of principle so that he cannot be relied on.

Israil the present Sultans only son by Marriage, all the others being by concubines, was bred up at Manilha and speaks Spanish very well, he is extremely plausible but insincere & deceitful it appears to me he is attached to the Spaniards who have great Confidence in him tho none in his Father. His party is not inconsiderable but is chiefly among the Higher sort and I do not apprehend will be found equal to his opponent when his Father is removed. I have detected him in many Falsehoods of the worst Nature intended to raise a prejudice against others opposed to him in Interest it is necessary to appear fair with him but his word must be consider'd as Wind. There is another person who ought to be mentioned here Dato Mustapha married to the Sultans eldest Daughter & Israels Sister who has pretensions to the Crown which his Father possessed, he has Influence nor activity to form a party of Consequence but is much relied on by the Spaniards to whom I believe he has some attachment, he does not want Capacity but it goes no farther than Conversation he has a little soul composed of Envy and Deceit, extravagant as a Child in dress & Baubles, tho it is very difficult to obtain payment from him as he would rather have a gaudy appearance than an easy Mind or good Reputation.

Sarapodin married to this Mans Sister scarce ought to be mention'd in such a List, the Natives the Bugguese the Chinse all unite in his Applause, he seems formed to make a people happy as neither insolent nor oppressive but returning good for Evill, meek to his superiors & Equals, complaisant to all tho' perhaps unhappily for such a country His Heart is too open & tho he can bear much he

is above Dissimulation & when warmed with affronts or Injuries he expresses himself totally and without disguise even to his Father, whose Temper is equally warm tho not equally candid, he is not destitute of Emulation or Ambition but these actuating a generous soul he desires to distinguish himself by a superiority in Knowledge & Virtue strict to his Word & Honour tho not without the Frailties of human Nature his Dignity is maintained with Ease and Respect is enforced by Love he indeed reigns in the Hearts of the people except some who finding themselves beneath him in worth view with Malevolence the Esteem his merit claims the Natives of the Borneo Islands speak of Sarapodin with the warmest affection they say he never plunders them or abuses the women, which is commonly the Case with the other Datos who visit the out districts where they have no Body to controul them but when Sarapodin is present he prevents these Excesses by his Authority and Example as well amongst his dependants as equals the Chinese complain that most of the Chief people at Sooloo extort from them all they can borrow but say that Sarapodin faithfully pays for everything he has.

He agreed to go with me to Balambangan but the Vessell in which he went not being ready, I left Sooloo before him he was detained longer than intended so that he was not arrived at Balamban when I left it he was accompanied by some Chinese. Dalo Jaffir Pranky Mallick and some other Sooloos it was a great Misfortune he did not join me early Balambanjan as by this Means we could not settle a plan for the management of affairs in that Quarter if he is duely assisted it will draw the Country people and Chinese there and should the Company hereafter determine on an Establishment it will be attended with fewer difficulties after this Intercourse is open'd.

Sarapodins Brother Dato Jaffir tho not equal to Sarapodin in Capacity and activity I recommend as the fittest Person to supply his place in case of any Accident. Oky Mallick is one of the most considerable Men at Sooloo. He is the Chief of the people and has a very great Influence as well from his office as Connections. I am convinced from what I have seen that he is a Man of Integrity & Capacity tho' not ostentatious he informed me before I went to Balambangan that he had in his House Goods to clear his. Account with the Company which I believe to be the case. He is one of the chief supports of Allinodins party and is not beheld by the old Sultan without Resentment as one chiefly concerned in the Revolution when he evacuated the Crown and fled to Manilha it appears to me Okim Mallick, and some others concerned in that Event, tho perhaps in some things deceived had good Reason from the conduct of the Sultan to rise in defence of their Liberty.

Raja Laut another of Allimodins party is a person of great Authority and Influence he is not to be trusted as a Merchant but ought to be treated with great Courtesy as capable of being troublesome tho he seems to be well inclined to do us any Civility. His Nephew now a Child will probably be a very considerable person when grown up and therefore ought to be taken notice of, there are many pearls in this Family, particularly with this Childs Mother who is Raja Lauts sister and tho a Widow is young and fond of shew for which she will not scruple to bestow her pearls. This family is in every Respect one of the richest and most considerable at Sooloo.

Sababonal another of this party seems to be well enough disposed but unacquainted with Business and of small Capacity he is one of the old Sooloos full of the superiority of his Country from the glorious period of it when their arms protected their own dominions from the Spaniards and extended its Authority over the adjoining people.

Manabee tho not now in that Office and his Son Amul are persons who will be very usefull but must not be too much relied on, the Father is not strict in the payment of his Debts and therefore not to be trusted as a merchant, but they

are civil and I have often found them useful they have much Influence over Allimodin and are strongly attached to him from Interest as well as Resentment to Israil.

Dato Toomangong who is the person the Sooloos have appointed in Dato Juhans place for the Management of their affairs with the Company is allied to Israil and attach'd to him he seems a well meaning Man inclin'd to oblige but rather indolent and apt to be led away by other opinions it is necessary to be extremely civil to him as the Goods pass thro' his Hands and as any disgust would be attended with delays and difficultys. I cannot omit mentioning one Instance of his Integrity Captain Matthews gave them Credit for 300 Dollars more than received of which mistake he informed me on drawing up the Account Curr^{t}.

The other Datos of Torado party are Mamancha and Manabeil the first an artfull designing fellow who has a pleasure in fomenting dissentions and has much the Sultans Ear he pretends to be a great Scholar and very devout the other is very illiterate and is a mean selfish man he was before in the office of Maharaja Lela.

I have thus given a sketch of the chief persons with whom our people can have connections: I fancy it will appear too involved a sistem to intermeddle with politically. I have cautiously avoided being of any party and must recommend the same Measure it is not our Interest to interfere at all in the Government and altho' the Sultan might be glad of the support to his Government the probable Consequence would be his destruction as it would induce him to go farther than he ought or than the Native would bear I applied to him to unite with Troomaryong & Oky Mallick in assisting them to recover all the Companys Debt which he promised and threatens to put in Execution a compact made amongst themselves by which they agreed that the Effects and Slaves of all who did not pay their Debt should be sequester'd and he promised to fit up his own House to receive the Goods as they should be offer'd and on this promise I left a China man who came from Manilha nam'd Joongua to keep an Account.

The directions of the Company in regard to the Indiamen cannot fail of having a bad Influence on their Sooloo Concerns. The Instructions I transmitted last year are sufficient to direct a prudent Commander in safety and had the Pitt come to Sooloo from the Coast I should have been enabled to have recovered a large portion of the Companys outstanding debt for had We received all the Goods they have on Hand I would have insisted on the remainder being paid in pearls by those who had any & were still in arrear. But as the absence of a ship gave an opportunity to some to sell their Goods to the Chinese, and afforded a plausible pretext to others to avoid giving any pearls by the allegation that they could not know what Ballance would remain due after delivering their Goods it was impossible for me to settle any Account.

The Voyage by the several disappointments it has met with has undergone a total Change these difficulties occur'd to me in general and when it was first proposed I explained the Consequences of a late arrival which has been continued from year to year with an additional Inconvenience as they have now none of the Goods remaining which they received and throwing the Royal Captains Cargo into their Hands took away the Check which in some measure bound them to the fulfilling their Engagements. Balo Bandaharias Death was indeed an Event which could I have foreseen I would never have undertaken the Voyage as I grounded my Expectations and representations much on his Influence and Integrity, another Misfortune is the death of Dato Juhan and others who were particularly connected in all our Resolutions. By this the Management has passed from Hand to Hand till it rests with people who little understand the original Articles of Agreement and the alterations which Circumstances introduced by this Means they in general seem to think they execute

their Engagements if they pay the amount of this Debt in Sago &c^{a}. whereas this only was admitted on their discharging their debt in the limited Time in which period it was well known they could not clear their Concern without a large portion of the more valuable articles as Birds nest &c^{a}. this opinion has some authority from our deficiency of shipping to carry of the Goods they have long had on Hand and which are liable to great Losses from Theft and other Accidents and this is the source of their averseness to give any pearls as it is much more to their Interest to discharge their debt in other Things.

I confess the Restriction regarding the Indiamen puts me to a great Loss what measure to advise for withdrawing the Goods lying at Sooloo. Captain Alves would engage to conduct a ship of any Burthen thither and indeed I am so well satisfied of the Facility of the Navigation that I think there is not much difficulty or danger and therefore must still recommend an Indiamen in her way to China as the properest Vessell for this purpose small Vessells are improper for China, and the Expence of a large Country ship is very great it might indeed be so contriv'd that she would continue some Months at Sooloo outw^{d}. bound and proceeding to China call there again on her Return where she might fill up and probably clear Accounts, if Timber be worth bringing from Sooloo it will be easy to bespeak Teak or other of any dimensions on her arrival to take in when she returns, the disappointm^{t}. of having no ship would not allow me making that use of the Money put a board for this purpose at Manilha such a ship ought to sail as early as possible from India and I don't think it prudent to continue at Sooloo after the 20th. September. I enclose two intercepted Letters and can inform you nothing more than what you will learn from their Contents. I shall write to you again by the London. In the mean while I have Honor to be

CANTON — SIR

22^{D}. DECEM^{R}. 1764. — Your most obedient Humble Servant

A. DALRYMPLE.

PURPORT OF A LETTER FROM THE SULTAN OF SOOLOO.

Blue Cloth 1st. 2^{d}. & 3^{d}. sorts.

What other Goods the Company shall think proper.

This Letter to be delivered to any Alim desiring him to purchase the Books mentioned in the same Letter and a Catty of Arabian Musk together with the books and if they desire the amount. I request the Company to advance it and also for 15 Dollars worth of Agala Wood.

Sign'd in Arabian Characters.

TRANSLATE OF TWO INTERCEPTED LETTERS REFER'D TO IN M^{R}. DALRYMPLE'S TO THE GOVERNOR.

DON DOMINGO DE ROSA

I have received your Favor, and notwithstanding I have felt a great deal for your Misfortunes It has yet given me great pleasure to find that you enjoy your Health procure some Way or another to get out of your Captivity at the same time communicate to me what you shall think convenient, in the same conformity you did in your last for which I return you my Thanks hoping that God will keep you under his Protection.

MAY 13, 1764. — PEDRO YAWZE.

D^{R}. ANTONIA SOUASA.

I received yours dated the 14th. Ultimo as to what you mention I say it is publick and notorious your good Behaviour in the Assistance you gave the prisoners to make their Escape from this Kingdom at the same Time I am that

there has not been a Favorable Conjuncture [*sic*] for its taking Effect without doubt it is owing to the great Liberty you find there, what I now say to you is (dont be a Fooll) and as soon as you can come here for we shall always find some Employment or another for you and dont stay there suffering Hardships as you express in your Letter but above all take care of your Religion God help you under his Protection.

May 13th. 1764. PEDRO YAWZE.

No. 54.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL

OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

This waits on you pr. a Chellinga which we now dispatch to your Honor &ca. with fifty nine Bales of Callicoes on account of the Honble Company Invoice of which and Bill of lading we will forward by the Tappies, and are

CUDDALORE
12 MARCH 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient Humble Servants
J. L. SMITH.
ROBERT DOWSET.

No. 55.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL

OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

This accompanys Bill of lading & Invoice of fifty nine Bales of Callicoes consigned you yesterday pr. a Chellinga, your Honor &ca. will observe that three Bales are torn and damaged cloth as mentioned in the Invoice which happen'd in the wash but as by putting it up here at outcry as usual it would not produce near its value, We have taken upon us to send it to your Presidency where it may probably meet with a more advantageous sale in order that the Honble Company may be as little sufferers as possible, The Washers here not being in a capacity to pay for it.

CUDDALORE
13TH. MARCH 1765.

WE ARE
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Humble Servants
J. L. SMITH.
JOHN CALLAND.
ROBERT DOWSETT.

No. 56.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.

President and Governor &ca. Council

of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have duely received your Favour of the 1st. of Septr. by Captain Roberts of the Maria Marcelina.

Our last address to you went in Duplicates on the Princess Augusta Captn. Thomas Baddison and the Neptune Captain George Emptage Via Batavia; We flatter ourselves that these ships with the Admiral Watson Captn. Blewit are by this safely arrived at Fort St. George and that they were sufficient to transport all the Men and Stores from Batavia from which place We have not had any advices.

The Return of the Companys Snow the Syren here the 15th. of November after having been out two Months and in what We thought the most favourable Season for making her passage to the Bay was a Matter of Concern and Surprize to us. The Master in his Vindication alledges that the she stood out to sea near 7° yet the Winds were so strong from the North West with southerly Currents that he could not clear this Island. We hope she will be more successfull in this attempt Captain Tyrrell has directions to touch at Moco Moco & Natal to land some Stores & passengers & therefore will be finally dispatched from the latter place.

We have given Mr. Wyat at Natal directions to send on the Syren Twenty of his Seapoys in Garrison there and We purpose sending the same Number on board the Speedwell together with some officers of that Corps the large supply of Europeans received by the Ships of this year has enabled us to comply with the Desire of these people to return to their Country and We are in Hopes it will have a good Effect whenever we shall find it necessary to request a Recruit.

We apprehend your Honor &ca. must long ere this have been informed of the unhappy Loss of the Nancy Ketch Captn. Cleghorn bound from Bengal for this place with a Cargo of Ophium on the Companys Account in Septr. last to the Eastward of Atcheen Captn. Roberts of the Marea Marcelina touching at Atcheen in his passage hither met with and brought here one Matthew Bray, who as he himself says was the second Mate of that Vessel, there were also at Atchein some Lascars but Captain Roberts could not prevail with them to go on board his Vessel as it appears to us that their is some Reason to suspect, that Captn. Cleghorn & his officers were cut of before the Ketch was lost and that Bray was concern'd therein. We have thought it proper to confine him in Irons and now send him on the Syren, as we apprehend in Case our suspicions are just that some of the Crew may have got back to Madras or Bengal and he if guilty be brought to a legal Tryal, We enclose for your Information the Account given us by Bray himself of this affair as also the Depositions of Captain Roberts and Benjamin Governor Goriman, upon which We grounded our suspicions should none of the Nancys Crew be at Fort St. George to clear up this affair your Honor &ca. will please to send Bray and the papers to the Governor of Fort William.

The Honble Court having advised that they were a preparing to send two ships to Madagascar for Slaves and the President and Council of Bombay informing us that they have great Expectations of sending us a large Number their Arrival will naturally occasion a larger Consumption of Rice than we apprehended would be when we wrote you last. We are therefore to request that your Honour &ca. will take such opportunities as may offer to supply us

with what can be spared the bad Weather we have had this Year having prevented the Country people from making plantations, there appears some probability that we shall be also necessitated to supply their wants instead of meeting any Assistance from them.

The Consignment by the Maria Marcelina turned out agreable to the Invoice & We have paid Captn. Roberts the Freight he demanded which being a little exorbitant induces us to request that you will hereafter adjust the Terms at Fort St. George. We are much obliged to your Honor &ca. for the Madeira Wine and flatter ourselves that we shall in future be assisted with a larger Quantity yearly, as the increase of servants on this coast will require, if it can be spared at least thirty pipes.

The Earal of Elg[illegible] O[illegible]t in Cooke anchored in our Road the 2d. Instant this ship arrived on the Coast early in October but could not beat up against the strong N. West Winds and was obliged to bear at last away for Crole at which place she refresh'd her people and took in a supply of Water; in sending her Boats a shore at Manna for Water, they were overset & Mr. Creighton Chief Officer five seamen together with Captn. Lieut. Shaw our Sub Ingineer were unfortunately drown'd. The Ship is now at Pooloo taking in the pepper and will be dispatched as soon as possible by the Pitts Tract to Canton.

In Consequence of your Advices to us that there was great probability of Money being wanted in China for the Investment, We have been induced to take some Goods here proper for that Market which will be sent on certain conditions upon the Earl of Elgin the produce being to be paid to the Supra cargoes for the Companys Use. We cannot yet ascertain how much the amount may be, but We imagine near twenty thousand dollars, as our Treasury is very low, We pay the owners for them in Notes which we have engaged to receive into Cash for Bills on England or any of the Presidencys as may best suit the Proprietors and We are to desire that your Honor &ca. will please to Honor such as may be passed on you for this Account.

We shall duely observe what you recommend of allowing Time in Case the Bills we may draw by one Conveyance should be large.

Due Credit shall be given your presidency for the pagodas (800) eight Hundred paid the owners of the Luconia for the Transportation of the Chinese from Manilha.

In case the Account Current which your Honor &ca. propose sending should not explicitly clear up what money Mr. Russell may have received, We desire you will order an Enquiry to be made whether that Gentleman received any pay from his arrival in India in July 1760 to his arrival at Fort St. George in December 1761.

The Detention of the Snow Syren through the badness of the Weather gives us an opportunity of accusing the Receipt of your Honor & Councils Letter of the 18th. September of the Elisabeth Snow Captn. Johnson who imported here the 7th. Instant, the several Papers inclosed in the packet were found to correspond with the List thereof transmitted, not having any Thing to reply to the Contents,

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient Humble Servants

ROGER CARTER.
JOSEPH DARVALL.
ROBT. HAY.
GEORGE SCOTT.
ROBERT NAIRNE.
JOHN HERBERT.

FORT MARLBOROUGH
10TH. JANRY. 1765.

P.S.—We have granted on your Honour &c^{a}. Council the following Bills of Exchange.

1 Sett payable at 30 days sight to M^{r}. James Hay or order value received of Robert Hay Esq^{r}. S. D^{s}. 5400 ... ... 3375 Pagodas.

ROGER CARTER.
JOSEPH DARVALL.
ROBERT HAY.
GEORGE SCOTT.
ROBERT NAIRNE.
JOHN HERBERT.

N°. 57.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We are desired by the Governor and Council of Negapatam to request the payment of two Bills of Exchange drawn on you from Malacca by Mess^{rs}. Jackson and Cleghorn dated 27th. May and 13th. June.

We have endors'd these Bills in Favor of M^{r}. Jacob A Dormieaux to whom you will be pleased to pay the amount.

1	Drawn by M^{r}. Jackson for	Pagodas	720	1¼
1	by William Cleghorn	..	114	18
2	amount of both Bills	Pag^{s}.	834	19¼

We have the Honor to be
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient and most Humble Servants

PULLICAT
21ST. MARCH 1765.

P. T. DORMIEAUX.
S. DE. JENCHERE.

N°. 58.

TO THE HONORABLE THE GOVERNOR
& COUNCIL AT MADRAS.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

This serves to advise my Draft on you in Favor of the Honble Dutch East India Company of this Days date ℔^{r}. Dutch Guilders 3200 & 10 Stivers, to which please to give due Honor & place to the account of the owners of the Ship Pitt and oblige.

MALACCA
27TH. MAY 1764.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient and most humble Servant

JOS^{H}. JACKSON.

No. 59.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.

President & Governor &ca. Council

of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I having put into this port upon my passage from Bengal towards Bencoolen for Water &ca. on account of the Southwest Monsoons setting in so hard which forced me to the Eastward of Atcheen and has occasion'd my going thro' these streights, I have therefore been obliged to draw a Bill on the Honble Company for the sum of one Hundred and fifty Spanish Dollars at the Rate of 68 Stivers pr. Dollar which makes Five Hundred and ten Hollands Guilders in Favor of the Honble David Bullen Esqr. &ca. Council or their order as the sum is advanced for sundry necessaries received on board the Honble Companys Ketch the Nancy under my Command I doubt not you will please to duely Honor the same.

I am

Mallacca

1st. of June 1764.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obedient humble Servant

Wm. Cleghorn.

No. 60.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.

President and Governor &ca. Council

of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

By the Illocos which arrived here last Night we have been favor'd with your Letters of the 17th. 20th. & 21st. of February last the Contents of which We shall endeavor to comply with and we have the Honor to acknowledge the Receipt of the fifteen thousand Madras pagodas you was pleased to remit us by that Conveyance as also the seven Thousand you order us to send to Mr. Dolben at Ingeram which We have this day forwarded together with the packet for that place.

The Illocos being in want of water we shall supply her therewith and detain her no longer than is necessary for that purpose.

Vizagapatam

7 March 1765.

We are with due Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obedient Humble Servants

John Smith.

Wm. Barker

No. 61.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I had yesterday the Honor to receive your Commds. by Way of Vizagapatam accompanying seven Thousand (7000) Madras pagodas which shall be directly applied to the purposes of the Investment here in which I beg leave to reassure your Honor &ca. all possible care and attention shall be used. I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

Ingeram
14th. March 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Humble and most Obt. Servant
George Dolben.

No. 62.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I am Honor'd with your Commands of the 5th. Instant enclosing Extract of a Letter from the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam, I have already advised your Honor &ca. of the arrival of the seven thousand (7000) Madras Pagodas by the Illocus.

I shall now proceed to give your Honor &ca. all the Information I am able in answer to the above Extract, I am very sorry I am obliged to begin by observing that however Confidently the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam have reported these Matters they are nevertheless far distant from the Truth as well with regard to my offering advances and the Merchants refusing them as my Merchants encroaching on their Investment and they must certainly have been very much misinformed the first being a thing impossible fm. my want of cash which will fully appear by my Cash Account of January many Arguments are not necessary to support this Assertion I hope it will be sufficient to refer to my Letters of the 29th. Janry. 1st. February and 3d. Instant to prove what I have said in the former I acquainted your Honor &ca. that I had contracted with five Merchants and advanced them 10200 Ms. Pags. in my next that I had advanced to Dontom Chittee Verapah 1000 Mads. Pags. being all the state of the Cash would then allow that I had conversed with the Upparah Merchants who were willing to enter into Contract with me on the same Terms as the others which I declare expressly to be a Matter of Fact that I had contracted with one of them namely Lackum Chittee Sattisum and had promised him an advance out of the first supply I should receive not having it in my power at that Time to make him any and that the other Merchants having some Ballances at Vizagapatam after setling which I should enter into Contract with them also and they were then well satisfied with those conditions it could not be that I offer'd them advances when I had no Money and therefore as I had it not in my power to make them any such offers it was impossible they could reject them which I believe renders it unnecessary for me to say any more on this part.

It gives me a painfull Concern that the above Gentlemen should endeavour to throw out Insinuations so much to my Disadvantage when I am conscious to

myself of having acted hitherto with the greatest Circumspection and been so scrupilous as not to employ a Man who formerly traded to this settlement for no other reason than his being a little to the Northward of Upparah.

The Upparah Merchants when here told me that Mr. Smith had declared to them that that place was not to be under my Manageᵗ. of which I have already advised your Honor &cᵃ. in a former Letter accordingly they not knowing whom to believe prefer'd the Argument in which side there was ready Money and took fresh advances and it has since been reported that the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam have made them an Offer to provide all their fine Goods which would be certainly now to their Advantage as all the fine Cloth taken in at Vizagapatam is only of 20½ and 21 punjums not of the first Sortment as taken in here and at Bandarmalanka where the Contract is made for the first sort only the offers I made them were the same as the others Merchants and the same proportion in the different Assortments of Cloth as prescribed by your Honor &cᵃ. making it a point not to shew a partiality to one Man more than another by these Means it may be possible the Gentlemen at Vizapatam may have since persuaᵈ. the Upparah Merchants to contract with them rather than me and it appears very evident they have been dictated to on this occasion its well known no Merchant can be forcibly obliged to enter into Contract it was of their own free good Will they offer'd to contract with me without my pressing them to it in the least their having changed their inclinations in so short a time and in so extraordinary a manner is indeed somewhat surprizing tho to be accounted for as above should these same Merchants insensible to their own Interests prefer living in the Rajahs Country which I really know not how to believe I may venture to affirm theirs would be the less and not the Honble Companys without they were Men of greater ability than those I am speaking of. Upparah Merchants to contract with them rather than me and it appears very evident they have been dictated to on this Occasion tis will known no Merchant can be forcibly obliged to enter into Contract it was of their own free good Will they offerd to contract with me without my pressing them to it in the least their having changed their inclinations in so short a time and in so extraordinary a Manner is indeed somewhat surprizing tho to be accounted for as above, should these same Merchants insensible to their own Interests, prefer living in the Rajahs Country which I really know not how to believe. I may venture to affirm theirs would be the loss and not the Honble Companys, without they were Men of greater Ability than these I am speaking of.

The Gentlemen at Vizagapatam wrote to me your Honors &cᵃ. Orders should be complied with in Regard to Upparah at the same Time they address'd you representing the apparent Necessity of Upparahs being under them by an Argument much more specious than solid.

Being every sensible that your Honor &ca. was pleas'd to intend Upparah should be under my Management on account of its Vicinity, I have taken every Precaution not to let my Merchants interfere in any shape with any other settlement, five of the Merchants I have employed live within Sight of the Factory House, the sixth lives near Mundapettah and they all declare they have made no Advance in the Toney Country, it then rests with the Upparah Merchant Lackum Chittee Pattisum who yet has had no Advance from me it is probable he may have had some old Ballances on the Weavers that Way when he traded to Vizagapatam which it is but reasonable he should collect and it is this must have given Rise to the Complaint of what the Gentlemen are pleasd to call my interfering with their Investment which I beg Leave to assure your Honor &cᵃ. I shall be particularly carefull to avoid, I cannot help thinking the Gentlemen have but little Reason to claim Upparah as a Vicinage when it is a hundred Miles distant from them.

As I have been very desirous to come at the real Truth of this Matter I took occasion a few Days ago to enquire of Mr. Charls Smith who pass'd this Way on his Journey to Madras and mentioned the above to me which of my

Merchants it was that had made this Infringment, and where, but he was unable to satisfy me in this Particular only answering in general they looked upon Upparah and all the Country thereabouts to be the Toney Country which was indeed explaining the Matter in a much clearer Manner than I even expected. I wish it were in my power to acquaint your Honor &c^{a}. exactly where the Toney Country does commence. I have always understood hitherto it to be about thirty five Miles to the Northward of Upparah that is a little on the Northern side of Pierow Pettah.

As I have nothing more at Heart than the Interest of my Honble Employers, I could wish it more possible for all the Cloth in the Country to be carried to one settlement which would greatly decrease y^{e}. Expense but that is rendered quite impracticable by the many Traders this Way. I humbly beg leave to observe it would be much more to the Honble Companys Advantage that instead of my not being permitted to trade to Upparah, The Dutch at Jaggemaitporum could be hinderd from so doing as well as in the Toney Country and its Neighbourhood where they have made Advances about twenty Days past to the Amount of thirty thousand Pagodas, should the French settle this way they will likewise expect their Share of the Trade and will undoubtedly to all the Towns and Buzars they have been accustom'd to heretofore, in this Case I should labour under the greatest Disadvantage and Uneasiness by being the only person of the three Nations obliged to sit passive. I must humbly beg leave to observe also it is very notorious that at the Time Ingeram Factory was before settled and M^{r}. Westcott traded to Upparah and its neighbourhood there was considerably a larger Investment made at Vizagapatam than there ever has been since, which will more fully appear by the Consignments made from that settlement by M^{r}. Lewin Smith and M^{r}. Boddam which proves that the Dutch were the only Gainers by there being no settlement at Ingeram and not the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam who made no manner of Advantage by the long dormant state of this Factory.

I once more beg leave to assure your Honor &c^{a}. that I shall use every effectual method in my power to Present any of my Merchants trading in any manner to the prejudice of the Investment carrying on at Vizagap^{m}. and I indeed cannot think it would answer their purpose to fetch cloth at such a Distance without it was considerably cheaper in the Toney Country than it is this Way.

I humbly beg leave to return your Honor &c^{a}. my most grateful Thanks for the Increase you have been pleased to add to my Allowance.

I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble and most obe^{t}. Serv^{t}.
GEORGE DOLBEN.

INGERAM
17TH. MARCH 1765.

N^{o}. 63.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I take this Opportunity of advising you of my Arrival here yesterday Evening The Consignments for this Place by the S^{t}. John Baptista are not yet all landed so that I cannot advise at present of their out Turn.

The Treasure consigned by her for the service of Ingeram I have forwarded thither overland under a proper Escort of sepoys in obedience to your Commands.

I am very respectfully
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your very obedt. Humo. Servt.
JOHN PYBUS.

MASULIPATM.
20TH MARH. 1765.

No. 64.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have been favor'd with your Letters of the 18th. & 20th. Instants.

In regard to the off Reckonings of this Settlement the paymaster acquaints us he never has received any since he has been in that Employ but will consult the Pay Rolls and endeavour to state an Account thereof in future your Directions, on this Head shall be complied with.

In Consequence of your Appointment of Mr. Dowset third in Council here; the several Employs of the settlement have been adjusted in Consultation in the following Manner Vizt. Mr. Calland Paymaster to the Garrison and Cantonements, Mr. Dowset Warehousekeeper, Sea, and Land Customer, Storekeeper & Accountant: Mr. Goddard under the Warehousekeeper and Deputy Paymaster. Mr. Barclay Secretary and Clerk of the Market, but the Business of this settlement being considerably encreased and carried on with much Inconvenience by the great Distance from the several Objects of Business Join'd to the Absence of one of our Assistants great part of every Month at Worriarpolam and Arrealoor; lays us under a Necessity of representing to your Honor &ca. that another Member at our Board and two more Assistants are still necessary in order to carry on the Business in a proper Manner, especially as Mr. Goddard one of our present Assistants has but an indifferent state of Health and is now so ill that he is incapable of any Business.

The Chief having acquainted us that the President had appriz'd him of the Army being to be cantoon'd here and therefore directed him to prepare Quarters for the Troops which has been done accordingly but a sufficient Number of proper Houses not to be got to receive them all, it was therefore necessary to erect some Sheds for that Purpose, and some Alterations were likewise necessary to the Houses an Account of which we will transmit to your Honor &ca. as soon as ever it can be made out togoether with the Monthly Rent of the several Houses occupied by them.

Both the old and new Merchants are lately mention'd to you havg. deliver'd in their Proposals for a new Contract finding they greatly exceeded the Quantity you orderd to be provided on the List of Investment lately transmitted us, We reduced them proportionably thereto and some of them offering to contract for the Betteelas of 40 Covids at an half Pagoda those of 50 Covids one & and an half and the Worriarpollam at half a Pagoda ℔r. Corge less than last Year. We have contracted for those Articles accordingly but there being no Musters or Prices to guide us in the articles of Succatoons & Salampores, Blue, we find ourselves obliged to apply to your Honor &ca. for them or to order Musters to be made here as you may judge best, the other Articles we have contracted for on the same plan & prices as last Year excepting

with Saumy Naudah who has to deliver in more Cloth than the amount of the Money that may be first advanced him before he receives another Advance as mentioned in one of our former Letters & Streeshalaputty being the only Merchant willing to undertake the provision of the Salem Cloth We were therefore unavoidably onliged to contract with him for the whole Quantity, the several Merchants Contracts specifying the different Articles and Quantityes with the prices and Terms come herewith for your Inspection, & which as most of their Quantities are lessen'd by the Addition of the new Merchants. We hope they will perform more punctually than last Year and that our Conduct herein will meet with your Honor &c^{a}. Approbation.

Our Surgeons having acquainted us that the following Terms are the lowest they can undertake to contract for supplying the Hospital with the Necessaries you require Viz^{t}. to diet the Men at the Rate of four Fanams each p^{r}. Day each person reckoning the Fanams at 42 p^{r}. Pagoda & to furnish the other necessaries at 5 fa^{s}. ℔ day each Person reckoning the fanams at 36 ℔ Pagoda which exceeding the Terms you limited us to, we must wait your further Directions on this Head, in the mean Time they desired us to represent they are in great want of Cloaths & Bedding.

As the necessary to be made to our Merchants for the new Contract will greatly exceed the present Ballance of our Cash notwithstanding the late supply, We must therefore request your Honor &c^{a}. will send us an adequate supply as soon as possible.

Our Monthly Accounts & other papers wait on you herewith & are with great Respect

CUDDALORE
25 MARCH 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient Humble Servants
J. L. SMITH.
ROBERT DOWSETT.

LIST OF THE INVESTMENT CONTRACTED FOR AT CUDDALORE BY THE PRESIDENT & COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE FOR THE YEAR 1764 WITH THE REASONS GIVEN FOR ITS NOT BEING COMPLIED WITH.

	Quantity Contracted for.	Quantity Taken in.	Quantity deficient.
	PIECES.	PIECES.	PIECES.
Betteelas of 40 Covids Long & 2⅛ Covd. Broad	1000	900	100
Betteelas of 50 Covids Long & 2⅛ Covd. Broad	1000	360	440 [*sic*]
Long Cloth Chennamanaickpollam ..	4000	1775	2225
Long Cloth Worriarpolam	4000	2011	1989
Long Cloth Sheally	3900	2457	543
Long Cloth Salam	9000	4604	6396 [*sic*]
Long Cloth Fine	600	395	205
Long Cloth Midling Blue	16000	12623	3377
Salampores Midling	2000	2000	—
Soot Romals Blue	7000	4800	2200
Soot Romals Red	3000	960	2040
	50600	31085 [*sic*]	19515 [*sic*]

Having called on our Merchants to know the cause of these Deficiencies in their Contracts, and they havg. assigned no sufficient Reasons for it as we have already represented to the President and Council, We can therefore only attribute it to their Remissness and inattention owing to their having more advantagious Methods of employing the Money advanced them.

J. L. SMITH,
JOHN CALLAND.

N.B.—Salampores Midling taken in 394 Pieces more than the Contract.

COPY OF THE CONTRACTS MADE BY THE CHIEF & COUNCIL OF CUDDALORE WITH THE FOLLOWING MERCHANTS FOR THE HON'BLE COMPANYS INVESTMENT FOR THE YEAR 1765 VIZ^{T}.

STREESHELAPUTTY HIS CONTRACT FOR THE FOLLOWING GOODS VIZ^{T}.

	Call.	Cov^{d}.	Cov^{d}.	Pieces.				
Long Cloth Salem ..	9	72	Long & 2¼ Broad	9000 at	P 48⅜	℔ Corge	P 21768	27 —
Long Cloth Midling Blue	9	36	2¼	3000 at	29¼	d°.	4387	18 —
Soot Romals Red ..		22½	1½	500 at	14¾	d°.	368	27 —
			Pieces	12500		Pagodas	26525	— —

IRSHEPA CHITTY HIS CONTRACT FOR THE FOLLOWING GOODS VIZ^{T}.

	Call.	Cov^{d}.	Cov^{d}.	Pieces.				
Long Cloth midling Blue	9	36	Long & 2¼ Broad	3000 at	P 29¼	℔ Corge	P 4387	18 —
Long Cloth Worriar-polam ..	8	72	2¼	1000 at	43½	d°.	2175	— —
Soot Romals Red.		22½	1½	1000 at	14¾	d°.	737	18 —
Soot Romals Blue		22½	1½	2000 at	12	d°.	1200	— —
			Pieces	7000		Pagodas	8500	— —

NELLA CHITTY HIS CONTRACT FOR THE FOLLOWING GOODS VIZ^{T}.

	Cov^{d}.	Cov^{d}.						
Bette las ..		40	Long & 2⅛ Broad	500 at	P 32½	℔ Carge	P 812	18 —
Betteelas ..		50	2⅛	500 at	39	d°.	975	— —
Salampores Midling		33	2¼	2000 at	22½	d°.	2250	— —
Long Cloth Worri-pollam ..	8	72	2¼	1000 at	43½	d°.	2175	— —
Long Cloth Midling		36	2¼	2000 at	29¼	d°.	2925	— —
Soot Romals Red		22½	1½	500 at	14¾	d°.	368	27 —
Soot Romals Blue		22½	1½	1000 at	12	d°.	600	— —
			Pieces	7500		Pagodas	10106	9 —

MOODU KISTNA PILHA HIS CONTRACT FOR THE FOLLOWING GOODS VIZ^{T}.

	Call.	Cov^{d}.						
Long Cloth Sheally	12	72	Long & 2¼ Broad	600 at	P 63¾	℔ Corge	P 1912	18 —
Long Cloth Sheally		72	2¼	2000 at	48	d°.	4800	— —
Long Cloth Chenna-man^{k}pol^{m}. ..	9	72	2¼	2000 at	44½	d°.	4450	— —
Long Cloth Midling Blue.	9	36	2¼	3000 at	29¼	d°.	4387	18 —
			Pieces	7600		Pagodas	15550	— —

SHAVELA VENCHATACHELLUM & NELLAPAH MOODELY THEIR CONTRACT FOR THE FOLLOWING GOODS VIZ^{t}.

		Cov^{d}.	Cov^{d}.	PIECES					
Betteelas		40 Long &	2⅛ Broad.	500 at	32½	℔ Cov^{d}. Pag^{s},	812	18	0
Betteelas		50	2⅛	500 at	39	Pag^{s}.	975	0	0
Long Cloth Sheally		72	2¼	2000 at	48	Pag.	4800	0	0
	CALL.								
Long Cloth Chennam^{k}.po^{m}.	9	72	2¼	500 at	44½	.. Cov^{d}.	1112	18	0
Long Cloth Worriapollam	8	72	2¼	1000 at	43½	d°.	2175	0	0
Long Cloth midling Blue	9	36	2¼	3000 at	29¼	d°.	4387	0	0
Soot Romals Blue		22½	1½	1000 at	12	d°.	600	0	0
Soot Romals Red		22½	1½	500 at	14¾	d°.	368	27	0
						Pagodas	15231	9	0 [*sic*]

PAUPAH CHITTY & BOOTCHY CHITTY THEIR CONTRACT FOR THE FOLLOWING GOODS VIZ^{t}.

	CALL.	Cov^{d}.		PIECES					
Long Cloth Chennam^{k}.po^{m}.	9	72 Long &	2¼ Broad	500 at	44½	℔ Corge Pag^{s}.	1112	18	0
Long Cloth Worriapolam	8	72	2¼	500 at	43½	d°.	1087	18	0
Long Cloth Midling Blue	9	36	2¼	3000 at	29¼	d°.	4387	18	0
Soot Romals Blue		22½	1½	1000 at	12	d°.	600	0	0
Succattoons Blue				200					
Sulempores Blue				500					
Succatoons White				500					
			Pieces	6200		Pags.	7187	18	0

The said Merchants agree to deliver in two Fifths of the above Goods by the 1st. of September 1765 and the other three fifths by the 1st. of January 1766 equal in Lengths, Breadths, & Quality to the several Musters thereof produced to them in Consultation.

MAHOMUD ASHARUFF & SAUMY NADAPILHA THEIR CONTRACT FOR THE FOLLOWING GOODS VIZ^{t}.

	CALL.	Cov^{d}.		PIECES					
Long Cloth Sheally		72 Long &	2¼ Broad	1000 at	P 48	℔ Corge Pag^{s}.	2400	0	0
Long Cloth Chenaman^{k}.pol^{m}.	9	72	2¼	1000 at	44½	d°.	2225	0	0
Long Cloth Worriarpolam	8	72	2¼	500 at	43½	d°.	1087	18	0
Long Cloth midling Blue	9	36	2¼	3000 at	29¼	d°.	4387	18	0
Soot Romals Red		22½	1½	500 at	14¾	d°.	368	27	0
Soot Romals Blue		22½	1½	2000 at	12	d°.	1200	0	0
			Pieces	8000		Pagodas	11668	27	0

The above Merchants promise to deliver two fifths of the said Goods by the 1st. of September 1765 and the other three fifths by the 1st. of January 1766 equal in Lengths Breadths and Quality to the several Musters thereof produced to them in Consultation and further engage to bring in cloth to the full amount and more than the Money which may be first advanc'd them before they require another advance.

No. 65.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.

President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I am honord with your Commands of the 9th. Instant and shall pay due Regard to them in the Investment of Beteelas your Honor &ca. have been pleas'd to order and shall lose no Time in getting a few pieces of every Assortment of Goods made in this Neighbourhood by the Dutch.

I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

Ingeram
the 19th. March 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most humble and most obedt. Servant
George Dolben.

No. 66.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.

President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your Favor of the 5th. Instant we have received and shall pay due attention thereto.

Since the Receipt of your Letter We have had the Upparah Merchants together and have communicated to them the necessary Information required upon which they have this Day presented us with a Letter for your Honor &ca. which they desire may be sent you by which you may observe the great dissatisfaction that now prevails amongst them by their objecting to your Commands regarding the delivery of Cloth at Ingeram which they seem resolv'd not to comply with, therefore we hope you will indulge them in their own establish'd Customs, otherwise it may be the means of their leaving the Service intirely for they look upon your Orders regarding their being under the Direction of the Resident of Ingeram as a degradation, which they term as such in a letter of this date.

We must take the Liberty to inform you of some particulars which may be necessary on this Occasion, therefore you will please to observe those Merchants do not properly belong to Upparah neither can they be look'd upon in that Light as they provide more northward than southward Cloth and are chiefly the Inhabitants of this Place and have always resided here as such with their Familyes so that there are only two which reside at Upparah and those were the first and principal Objections to your Proposals of which we before advised you and they have been for many Years what they call Merchants of this Place though falsely term'd Upparah Merchants.

Upparah is not a place of Manufactory for Callicoes so that Mr. Dolben could not have opportunity of overlooking the Merchants which you were pleased to alledge as a Reason for its being under his Management but on the contrary you will please to observe that Place is only a Resort for the Merchants at Times where they assemble to collect Cloth from the Country and Villages adjacent all these concurring Circumstances added together We hope will appear sufficient to induce a Change of sentiments on this Head.

Agreable to your Commands we wrote Mr. Lowe desiring he would attempt the Manufactory of Salempores at Ganjam and shall inform you how far We are likely to succeed therein as soon as we can hear from thence.

We herewith enclose your Honor &ca. Captn. Nodes Receipt for sundry Disbursements on account of ship Illocos amounting to Current Pags. 32. 28. 29 which was advanced him for that use.

The Cloth remaining on Hand is expressed at the Foot hereof.

We are with the greatest Respect

VIZAGAPATM. HONBLE SIR & SIRS

19 MARCH 1765. Your most obedient Humble Servants

JOHN SMITH.
WM. BARKER.

CLOTH ON HAND.

L.C.O.	...	84 — —		
L.C.M.	...	66 — —		
L.C.F.	...	27 — —	Co.	
			177 — —	

MEMORIAL OF THE UPPARAH MERCHANTS RESIDING AT VIZAGAPATAM.

From Gavany Davalloo Vancajala Lachemy Narsoo Sambacody Sambadoo Damelliam Balaja and Jaugoo Peddy Merchants of Woppada belonging to Vizagapatam to the Governor and Council of Madras Dated the 17th. of March 1765.

It has been our constant Custom for this Long time to provide Callicoes in the Country of Upparah to the Eastward and to deliver them to the Company at Vizagapatam, Mr. John Smith having sent for us has been pleased to say it was the Companys Order We should deliver the Upparah Callicoes to Mr. Dolben at Nealapelly next to Madrass we esteem'd Vizagapatam to be the Principal Settlement in these parts and deliverd our Callicoes accordingly there, if so in what have We been faulty to be ordered to submit our Employment to a subordinate Factory. We do not agree to it and hope therefore you will be pleasd to send orders to receive the Callicoes at Vizagapatam according to the Salibad Custom when Mr. Thomas Heath acted as a Chief at Vizagapatam. Governor Pigot was pleased to order us to deliver the Callicoes to Mr. Dolben then at Bandamarlanka but We addressed a Letter to the said Governor representing that We could not agree to it upon which he was pleased to grant an Order to deliver them at Vizagapatam and We omitted even the Cooley Hire calld Cauvedly Cooley on that account. Cotta Chembodoo and Daya Balaya dwelt with their Families at Upparah and when these were ordered to deiver their Callicoes in Nealapelly they said that they would rather chose to quit their Dwellings in the said place but that they would deliver the Callicoes in Vizagapm. and that would on no Account agree to deliver them at Nealapelly. We do therefore humbly hope that you will be pleas'd to take the foregoing into your Consideration and order the Business to be carried on according to the Saibad Custom, it is to be remark'd that Upparah is only the Name for all our Trade is in this Place & in the Country to the Eastward and there are several outstanding Debts remas due to us, We cannot give over

all These Debts and agree to deliver in the Callicoes in Nealapelly. The Company is endowed with Justice and Reason as Upparah is a subordinate to Vizagapatam it gives us a great deal of uneasiness to hear of quitting this principal Settlement. We do therefore repeat our humble Request to take the foregoing into your Consideration and send an Order to deliver the Callicoes at Vizagapatam.

No. 67.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

This waits on you with our Journall, Parcels, & Cash Accot. for last Month wherein the Charges Hospitall & Account Repairs &ca. incurrd by preparing Quarters for the Troops in Cantonment are omitted, till We have your Honor &ca. Directions on this Head it appearing to us they should properly to brought to the Commissarys Account. We are with much Respect

Cuddalore
30th. March 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient Humble Servants
J. L. Smith.
John Calland.
Robert Dowsett.

No. 68.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your several Favors dated the 13th. and 15th. March and 10th. May were brought by the Bute Captain Maitland who imported the 12th. Inst. and agreable to your Desire the unloading of her was expedited as much as possible, and she now proceeds to Batavia.

We cannot but express our Satisfaction at the Readiness you have shewn to supply us amply this Season which would have been the more acceptable if the number of Chinese had migrated here from Manilha agreable to our Expectation but as that has been frustrated We have now Provisions as well as other Articles sufficient for our Consumption for some Time your Honor &ca. Council have therefore no Occasion to forward any further than our annual Supplies.

We wrote you in Duplicate under date 3d. May by the Greyhound & Leo pard and also addressed you in a Letter of the same Date by the Luconia a private Trader.

The Lord Clive saild from hence the 12th. May for Batavia & China she will have (258. – –) Tons Two hundred & fifty eight Tons of pepper and we are in Expectation of furnishig our expected shipping with (400 – –) Four hundred Tons.

The Syren Snow being in want of Repairs We purpose sending her to your Presidency & Bengal as soon as she arrives from Manna where she is now reseiving of Pepper.

Since closing the above the Honble Companys ship Admiral Watson is arrivd from Europe. She brings Advices of the Loss of the Holderness Captain Brooke in the Downs. The Northumberland was spoke with of the Cape (all well) who had lately parted with the Duke of Richmond bound to this Place the Lord Hollond Captn. Nairne and the Norfolk Captn. Sands.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedt. Humble Servants

FORT MARLBRO
6TH. JULY 1764.

ROGER CARTER.
HENRY IDELL.
ROBERT NAIRNE.

No. 69.

TO THE RIGHT HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR OF FORT ST. GEORGE ON THE COAST OF CHOROMANDEL &CA. &CA. AND THE COUNCIL AT MADRAS.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have had the Honor to receive your Letter of the 12th. of last Month concerning your Desire to have paid the Bill of Exchange of 250 Pagodas drawn in the year 1762 from Batavia, by Messrs. Roonen and Uytulught on our Resident at Cuddalore Pieter Baars and the second of Palicol Johannes Camper in favour of Mr. Mariot upon which We directly order'd Mr. Baars to pay to you the same altho' we have found that the Reasons he gave why the Bill has been protested and the non payment of the same after the Expiration of two years & a half not ungrounded altho & he showd readiness to restitute to you the abovementiond Sum. We desire you therefore to appoint some body to receive the said Money of our aforesaid Resident at Cuddalore not doubting but this Affair will thereby be settled.

We have the Honor to be with great Esteem

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedt. and most faithfull Servts.

NEGAPATAM
IN THE FORT YE. 23D. OF MARCH 1765.

C. H VAN T'EYLINGEN.
H. LAMBRUGGEN.
T. CANTERVISCHER.
P. T. L. DE FIELLITAS.
H BONTE.
J. D. SEVERIN.
COMS. PIETERLY.
JS. HASEL KAMP.
D. VRYMOET.
H. VAN TESSEL.

No. 70.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.

President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Gentlemen

Having had an Opportunity of taking up some Money here in Aid of the China Stock by Bills on the Presidency of Fort St. George We have drawn on you at 30 Days Sight to the following Amount Vizt.

Pagodas 7000 for Sph. 10500 received here of St. Johannes Nazareth & payable to Sr. Shameer Sultan Exchge. at 15 Dollrs. at 10 Pagodas.

6100 for Spah. Dol°. 9150 received here of Edwd. Raphael & payable to St. Gregory Miguel at the above Rate.

Arcot Rupees 20,000 for the like Sum received here of Don. Antonio Pignon & payabe. to Sr. Joanes Sinan.

All which Bills We beg may be duely Honord We were xetremely glad of this Opportunity of getting Money on so easy Terms as we are sensible with the Number of Ships this Year in China we shall be under great Difficulties to raise Money to load them, the Gentlemen at Canton will no doubt rectify this Transaction and give you further advise in their Letter to the Presidency. We are most Respectfully

Manilha
October 10th. 1764.

Gentlemen
Your most obedient Humе. Servants
Wm. Mackenzie.
Stephn. Devisme.

No. 71.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.

President and Governor &ca. &ca. &ca. and Gentlemen
of the Superior Council at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

By the Argyle Ketch Captn. Hugh Mackay you will be pleasd to receive three Chests well conditiond seald & mark'd No. 1, 2 & 3 C: the Chest marked No. 1 & 2 contains 4000 spanish Dollars each Chest No. 3 contains S.D. 3000 making in all eleven Thousd. Spanish Dollars (11000) the Captains Receipt goes here enclosed.

I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient & very humble
Servant
Christian Brouwer.

Tranquebar
2d. April 1765.

No. 72.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.

President & Governor &ca. Council

of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Our Honble Masters Snow Lapwing imported at Ingelee ye. 24 Ultio. from Europe and brought us a Packet for your Presidency which after opening in Order to take out any private Letters for this Place. We take this first Opportunity of transmitting you by the Country Ship Dodley it not having been received by us in Time to be forwarded by the Calcutta.

In our Letter by the Lapwing it is left to us either to return her to Europe as an Advice Vessell or otherwise dispose of her in Concert with you as may appear most for the Companys Interest. We desire you will accordingly advise us whether or not you have any material service on which to employ her.

The Fort William another of our expected Transports with Troops arrived with us also the 27th. Ultimo.

Mr. Francis Jourdan late one of the Council of Manilha has advised us that being in want of Money at Batavia he applied for & received of Captn. Maitland of the Bute a Ballance in his Hands of 2,600 Rix Dollrs. of the Money consigned to him for the Purchase of his Cargoe at that Place and has also drawn a Bill of Exchange on us for Current Rupees 8,422—8 which we have accordingly discharged and debited vou for the whole in Ct. Rups. 12,912–6– calculating the Rix Dollars at the Rate of Rs. 1–9–7 each the then Current Exchange at Batavia.

On Application from Mr. Jourdan Captain Maitland received on board some of the Lascars belonging to your place which were in the Siam when she ran ashore. We shall take the first convenient Opportunity of sending them down, and in the mean Time we are to inform you that we have paid for their Diet at the Rate agreed on by Mr. Jourdan of one Arcot Rupee for three Men pr. Day making ARs. 4298 – – and also discharg'd the Surgeons Bill for medicines and attendance on them amounting to ARs. 234 so that you stand further debted in the sum of Current Rupees 4991–12–3.

The enclosed is duplicate of our last by the Calcutta under Date the 17th. Ultimo since which we have received your Letter of the 31st. Ultimo and have given due Honor to the Bill therein advised.

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedt. Humes. Servts.

T. Spencer.
C. S. Playdell.
John Johnstone.
Ralph Leycester.
John Burdett.

Fort William
ye. 11th. Febry. 1765.

No. 73.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have now the Honor to transmit you the Accounts of this Settlement for last Month as also Account particulars of all Expences relative to the Manilha Expedition.

As you was pleased to comply with our Indent of Medicines by the Illocos we must acquaint you that a couple of articles were entirely omitted to be sent which are expressed by the Surgeon in the enclosed Account and hope you'll please to send them by the first opportunity.

The Business in the Warehouse being considerably encreased we find two packers are not by any Means sufficient for that service, therefore We have made an Addition of two others which we hope will meet with your approbation

We are with the greatest Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedt. Humbe. Servants
John Smith.
Wm. Barker.

Vizagapatam
24th. March 1765.

Cloth on Hand.

At the Wash.

L.C.O.	...	81	5	
L.C.M.	...	61	6	
L.C.F.	...	25	1	
				167 12

In the Warehouse.

L.C.O.W.	...	11	8	
L.C.M.W.	...	8	7	
L.C.F.W.	...	4	7	
				24 12
				192 4 Corge

No. 74.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

In my last address I had the Honor to advise you of my Arrival here and I am now to acquaint you that the Stores consigned for this Place by the St Juan Baptista have been all safely landed.

I have received your Commands of the 20th. Ultimo inclosing the Remarks made on the Bales lately sent up from Bandarmalanka which I have communicated to the Resident there and it is with pleasure I observe the Goods in general proved so much to your Satisfaction.

I am concerned to find the Chay Goods consigned you from hence on the Lord Howe were not arrivd, lest they should not be in Time for the Caernarvon. Mr. Whitehill writes me that he has laden the remainder of the Bandarmalanca Bales on board the Grampus Snow which he purposed to dispatch with them for our Place yesterday and I hope they will reach you safe notwithstanding the lateness of the Season.

Inclosed is an Indent for Stationary which I am in much want of as the Supplies which have been demanded for Field Service and what the Paymaster will have occasion for cannot be furnish'd from the small Stock I have here. I am therefore to request that it may be complied with, in part at least, by the first Opportuy.

I have received into Cash here on Account the Commissary General for Seapoy Stoppages the sum of six thousand seven Hundred and Sixteen Rupees four annas for which I have drawn a Bill dated the 31st. Ultimo on your Honor &ca. in his Favor at the Rate of 350 Rupees Pr. % Pagodas being Currt. Pagodas 1918–33–34 which I request you'll be pleas'd to Honor.

Under Cover I have the Honor to transmit you the Accounts of this Settlemt. for the Month of February: Those for last Month shall wait on you in few Days.

I am very Respectfully

MASULIPATAM
3 APRIL 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your very obedt. & most Humbe. Servants
JOHN PYBUS.

No. 75.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND THE GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have had the Honor to receive your Commands of the 12th. Instt. by the Snow St. John Baptista with a Consignment of Madras Pagodas which with what sent before by the Porpuse Sloop will for the present be a very sufficient supply. I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

INGERAM THE
31ST. MARCH 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble and most obedt. Servant
GEORGE DOLBEN.

No. 76.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Enclosed wait on your Honors Invoice & Bill [of] Lading for 124 Bales of Callicoes laden on board the Snow Grampus amounting to Currt. Pagodas

11819–19 and Invoice and Bill of Lading for one Bale of Superfine long Cloth which the Chief of Masulipatam ordered me to purchase for the use of the West Coast. I am with the greatest Respect

BANDARMALANKA
1ST. APRIL 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedt. Humbe. Servant
JOHN WHITEHILL.

No. 77.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR OF THE COAST OF CHOROMANDEL &CA. &CA. &CA.
AND GENTLEMEN OF THE SUPERIOR COUNCIL AT
FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I had the Honor to write you this morning by the Doddly to accompany 11 Chests of Silver inclosed you will be pleased to receive the account particular of the Quantity, Qualities, and Weight of Silver in each Chest by the Argyle Ketch Captn. Mackay. I have sent you 8 Chests containing 11000, Spanh. Dollr. which I hope is safe arrived; the second Receipts of Capt. Mackay & Dodwell I have the Honor to transmit you enclosed. I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

TRANQUEBAR
8 APRIL 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedt. & very oblig'd
Humbl. Servant
CHRISTIAN BROUWER.

No. 78.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR. PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR
OF THE COAST OF CHOROMANDEL &CA. &CA. &CA.
AND GENTLEMEN OF THE SUPERIOR COUNCIL AT
FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

By the Ship Doddly Captn. George Dodwell you will be pleas'd to receive eleven Chests well condition'd sowed in Guney seal'd and mark'd C. containing twenty nine thousand fifty seven and five eight Dollars of which 15111⅛ are spanh. Dollars in 6 Chests and 13946½ French Dollars in 5 Chests, this is the Silver which I have received from the French at Karicall for the Value of twenty thousand Star Pagodas paid them in exchange. The Captains Receipt goes enclosed the Account particular of the Silver in each Chest shall be forwarded to your Honor &ca. by Tappies to-day. I have the Honor to be with great Respect

TRANQUEBAR
9TH. APRIL 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient & very humble Servant
CHRISTIAN BROUWER.

No. 79.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have been favor'd with yours of the 20th. Ultimo and observe wth. Concern Resolution regarding the Upparah Merchants being under the immediate Management of Mr. Dolben which we are sorry cannot be complied with at present for the Reasons recited in ours of the 19th. Ultimo and as all those Merchants are now in the Country We cannot properly adjust their Accounts till they return, by which Time We hope to be favord with your Answer to ours abovemention'd in which was a Letter from those Merchants to your Honor &ca. on the like Subject.

Our Reasons for having made those Merchants some Advances after the Receipt of your Orders for being under Mr. Dolben was with no other view than that the Investment might not be at a stand which undoubtedly must have so happend; had we not supplied them when we found they were firmly resolved in not obeying your Commands for the Delivery of Cloth at Ingeram and as we have already observed to you, they being chiefly Inhabited here, there was but little reason to imagine they would chuse to be under that Settlement, as their whole Connections are in & about this place.

We are sorry the Reasons assigned for the seeming Deficiency in our last years Investment did not appear satisfactory and as you desire we would acquaint you why the Merchants did not fulfill their Terms of Contract we hope it will be sufficiently explained by advising you that they greatly exceeded their Contract, as they only agreed for two hundred Bales but by our frequent persuasions we prevailed on them to procure larger Quantity than we expected. We are now under some anxiety for the Success of our present Investment as the Country around us is in great Confusion since the news of the Troops coming to the northward has been known and we already begin to find the Effects of the Alarm by Badness of the Cloth now brought in and the Reasons given for it, is the unsettledness of the Country. The Cloth remaining on hand is expressd at the Foot heref. We are with due Respect

Vizagapatam
2d. April 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient Humble Servants
John Smith.
Wm. Barker.

Cloth on Hand.

L.C.O.	...	97	12	
L.C.M.	...	67	16	191 7
L.C.F.	...	25	19	
L.C.O.W.	...	11	8	
L.C.M.W.	...	8	7	24 12
L.C.E.W.	...	4	17	
				215 19

No. 80.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have received your Commands of the 2d. Instant advising the Arrival of the Chay Goods consigned you from hence by the Lord Howe, and accompanying the Remarks which have been made on them, and tis with much concern I observe how much they are disapproved in my Letter under Date ye. 28th. August last I had the Honor of remarking to you the Backwardness of ye. Merchants in bringing in their Goods, and the Badness of the Quality, upwards of half the Quantity brought in were turn'd out in sorting and of those taken in, some Assortments exceed what were ordered to be provided to make up the Number of Bales consigned you and for reducing the Merchants Ballances a Statement of the Investment at this place and Bandarmalanka for last year comes inclosed. Your Honor &ca. may be assured I shall spare no pains to improve the Manufactory of Chay Goods, the Merchants promise fair as they always have done but having been often deceived I can little depend on them.

Mr. Whitehill now consigns you by the Grampus Snow with the remainder of the Bales, the Fine Long Cloths your Honor &ca. were pleased to order to be provided for the Service of the West Coast and twenty seven Bales of turned out Cloth received at an Abatement of ten per Cent which last, on Examination of the Invoice sent me from Bandarmalanka, I find it erroniously brought to account, But rectified in the one I have now the Honor to enclose you and In the Invoice which Mr. Whitehill has transmitted me I observe there are four Bales distinguish'd with the Mark of T.O. said to be on Account of Holes in the Cloth. This I have wrote to him for an Explanation of but suppose it to be owing to accidents at the Wash.

I am very respectfully:
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your very obedt. & most humo. Servt.
John Pybus.

Masulipatam
9th. April 1765.

A Statement of the Investments for the Year 1765 at Masulipatam & Bandarmalanka.

	Quantity Orderd.	Quantity sent.	Reasons why the Orders were not fully complied with and why exceeded.
Long Cloth Ordinary ..	16,000	6,780	The Trouble in the Country and dearness of Cotton in Consequence have been the principal Reasons why the Quantity ordered of these Assortments has not been provided, to which might be added that the Merchants could no well afford to furnish the fine and ordinary Cloths on the Terms of their Contracts.
Midling ..	10,000	7,920	
Fine ..	5,000	2,950	
Izarees Super Fine ..	400	600	The Reason of more being sent than ordered was intended to assist in reducing the Merchants Ballances, as the Goods were unceptionable [*sic*]

A STATEMENT OF THE INVESTMENTS for the Year 1765 at Masulipatam & Bandarmalanka—*cont.*

	Quantity Ordered.	Quantity sent.	Reasons why the Orders were not fully complied with and why exceeded.
METCHILIPATAM ROMALLS ..	3,000	3,600	The Reason the Quantity of Romalls & Allygars provided exceeds what was orderd was to reduce the Merchants Ballances and to make up for the Deficiency in the Sastracundies owing to so large a Proportion of that assortment brought in by the Merchants being rejected in sorting on account the Defects both in the Colour & Fabrick of the Cloth.
SASTRACUNDIES	4,000	2,600	
CALLOWAPORES	1,000	1,000	
ALLEGARS	800	1,000	

MASULIPATAM,
9TH. APRIL 1765.

JOHN PYBUS.

No. 81.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I am honor'd with your Commands of the 20th. Ultimo and shall be very carefull not to interfere in the least with Vizagapatam.

As there is a likelyhood of my being absent from Madras for a considerable Time whereby I shall be prevented attending the Duty of the Mayors Court I beg your Honors &ca. permission to resign my Seat as Alderman.

Enclosed I have the Honor to transmit you the Accounts of this place for last Month. I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

INGERAM
3D APRIL 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble and most obedt. Servants
GEORGE DOLBEN.

No. 82.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I am honord with your Commands of the 2d. Instant with Copy of a Letter from the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam and one of the Upparah Merchants I beg Leave to assure your Honor &ca. that I shall endeavor on my part to avoid all Disputes whatsoever. Cota Chumbadoo and Deum Balliah the two Merchants living at Upparah particularly mentiond in the above General Letter are as

they were at first very willing to contract with me I have therefore agreed with the former on the same Terms as the other Merchants as I shall with the Latter so soon as he arrives.

The other Merchants said to live in Vizagapatam though all their Houses and Families except one are in Cotapille about one Course in land of Upparah. I shall not enter into Contract with till I hear from the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam as I think that Method cannot but be Satisfactory to them as I shall be ready to follow any they are pleased to propose which may be for the Good of the Investment in General.

Chitram Rauzes People and some of the Jemmidars begin to be very troublesome in these Parts, a few Days ago a Party of the former fell upon the Town of Ingeram, and put all the Inhabitants to Flight, plundering all they met with and about Three Nights ago a party sent by Raugarauze Divam to Chitram Rauze of about 1500 Men fell upon about 300 people belonging to Joggey Rauze stationd about the midway between this & Bandarmalanka the Latter fled to Golindur where they repass'd the River and dispersed themselves and yesterday I received a Letter from Raugerauze which waits on your Honor &c^{a} enclosed.

I replied in Answer that he would be pleased to know I was placed here on another Account than to enter into any of their Quarrels and Disputes that as to the persons he mention'd I knew nothing of them neither had I any orders to stop any people whatsoever that I should forward his Letter to your Honor &c^{a}. & wait your Commands.

I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

INGERAM
14TH. APRIL 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble and most Obedient Servant
GEORGE DOLBEN.

LETTER from WACHEROY RAGAVARAZ to M^{R}. DOLBEN DATED y^{e}. 11TH. APRIL 1765.

I write this to acquaint you that Wobebynady Venkataram and Duttaloory Baupraz made it their practice to plunder Ingeram Murymulloo Mummudyvaram &c^{a}. to strip their Women there of their Clouts and do all other Injuries that they can but when my Troops marchd to suppress them they retird and took shelter at Guttendeevy &c^{a}. places and in that Case the Troops returned if any Body committed Fault and took shelter in the English Bounds it was usual with them to put a Stop to their further bad proceedings and there to settle the Affairs which might depend on them in a reasonable Manner the said Vancataram and Baupraz made it their practice to retire to Guttendeery whenever my Troops marchd against them and on their Return to have recourse to their usual Custom of plundering the Villages I never heard the like Insults being committed by any residing in the English Bounds the English have many Factories in both the Circars and in the Gemeadars Countries if people who may be indebted in a Ballance or involved in any other Demands should go into the English Bounds they used to do Justice by getting either the Money due from them to be paid or deliver up their persons now your people in Guttendeevy protected the said Vancataram and Baupraz while my people were following them I must inform you these two people are guilty of very great Crimes they not only plundered my Country, but also Auroor &c^{a}. belonging to the Raja which gave him great Uneasiness there is a great Friendship between me and the Company and the Friendship between us is very great. I have large Demands upon these People and must therefore desire you to let me know whether you will deliver them up to me or pay what is due from them they to reside in your Bounds and from thence to go and plunder the Countries is a Thing never happend before, it is not Right that you should keep such people

on whom I have Demands as above if the Company should hear of it, it wont be agreable to them, as there is a Friendship subsisting between us I thought fit to write this to you and hope you will send me a satisfactory Answer. Continue to write to me of your Health.

No. 83.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We are to acknowledge your Favors of the 2d. & 6th. Instant.

Mr. Jourdan being arrived here has taken his Seat as fourth in Council, agreable to your Appointment and will the first of the approaching Month take Charge of the Storekeepers and Sea and Land Customers Employs and the others shall be disposed in the Manner your Honor &ca. direct.

In Answer to Your Honor &ca. Observation relating to the small Bale of Salampores sent you pr. last Consignment We beg, Leave to inform you that the Co. 2. Ps. 12 you take notice of were of the Investment of the Year 1762 and that not being able to make up a full Bale by the Salampores being ordered since that Time to be made a Covid Longer was the Reason of the odd Pieces being sent which would not have been done otherwise, the 3/4 of a Pagoda charged Freight thereon was a Mistake and has therefore been deducted.

We have received into our Cash, the Pagodas Six Thousand (6000) you ordered the Paymaster of the Army to pay us and the fifteen Thousand (15000) Pagodas your Honor &ca. dispatched us the 6th. pr. Seapoys has been likewise received have had no Remittance from Mr. Brower at Tranquibar who we therefore presume has Invested all the Cash he had in Silver.

Our monthly papers wait on you herewith and are with much Respect.

Cuddalore
24th. April 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient Humble Servants
J. L. Smith.
John Calland.
Francis Jourdan.

No. 84.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The enclosed is Duplicate of our last Address under Date the 11th. Ultimo since when We have received yours of the thirtieth January and 2d. 20th. Ultimo the latter by the Ship Illocus which has safely imported with us.

The Bill of Exchange advised in the first has been duely Honored.

The Buxey has reported to us that he has used his utmost Endeavors to procure for you a supply of Jagree, agreably to your Application in the second, but finds there is none to be had in the place. We are sorry you should meet

with this Present Disappointment but that you may be assured of a full Supply early the next season. We have directed the Buxey to contract for the Quantity wanted to be delivered in the Beginning of August.

We have directed a Report to be made to us of the Illocus and shall immediately dispose of her.

On the Luconia which sailed a few Days ago for your place were sent you one Tindal and thirty nine Lascars of those advised you in our last to have been brought here, by the Bute, they have received their Subsistence for last Month and a List of them is herewith enclosed But We apprehend We shall not be able to send you the Remainder this Season as We do not hear of any Opportunity likely to offer.

The Lord Anson another of our expected Transports arrived with us the first Instant having from the great Length of her Voyage and the Sickness which raged among them lost upwards of 220 of the Recruits put on board her. The Bute received her Dispatches for Europe the 11th. Instant.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient humble Servants

J. SPENCER.
C. S. PLAYDELL.
T. BURDETT.
GEORGE GRAY.

FORT WILLIAM
THE 21ST. MARCH 1765.

No. 85.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have received your Favor of the 2d. Ultimo to which We shall reply the next Opportunity.

In Compliance with your Commands We now transmit you a List of Stores landed from the Ship Illocos particularized in the Manner you were pleased to direct, and We must now inform you that most of those Stores which are serviceable, will not be so a Month or two hence unless properly taken Care of and cleaned. We have therefore employed people for that Purpose, which We doubt not but will meet with your Approval.

The Accounts of this Settlement for last Month are herewith enclosed The Cloth now at Hand is expressed at the Foot hereof.

We are with the greatest Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient humble Servants

JOHN SMITH.
WM. BARKER.

VIZAGAPATAM
15TH. APRIL 1765.

CLOTH ON HAND

At the Wash

L.C.O.	..	Corge	124	2	
L.C.M.	..		81	15	
L.C.F.	..		32	17	
					238 14

In the Warehouse

L.C.O.W.	..	Corge	11	8	
L.C.M.W.	..		8	7	
L.C.F.W.	..		4	17	
					24 12
		Corge	..		263 6

P.S. This Instant arrived here the Dolphin Schooner Captn. Ormston from Bengal, but having met with a Gale of Wind to the Southward of Madras she could not make that Place she spoke with the Caernarvon about Fifty Miles to the Southward of Madras the Captn. has sent on board for the Letters which we shall forward by to-Morrows Tappies.

No. 86.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

My last Address was under Date the 9th. instant inclosing Invoice of Bales consigned you from Bandarmalanka on the Grampus Snow on Account our Honble Masters. The four marked T.O. to distinguish them from the turned out as having holes in them, I learn from Mr. Whitehill to have been owing to damage received when at the Wash by Rats and White Ants and out of his power to prevent as this Place is so much infested with this Vermin.

The Term which has been usually allowed to the preceeding by the Succeeding Salt Farmer for continuing the Sale of his Salt expiring the 31st. Ultimo I have in Obedience to your Orders to me on this subject in your Commands under date the 1st. November last made up the Account between Rustum Ally Cawn and Meer Sied Hussein the late Farmers, and the Company, and find a Ballance due from them on their Cowle ending the 9th. November 1764 of Rupees 39,611–12 as pr. the Statement now inclosed, wherein you will be pleased to observe is included the Salt they have on Hand valued at the Rate of 10 Annas pr. Pollah conformably to the Tenor of their Cowle being four Annas less than the medium Price at which they sold their Salt, but even supposing the whole had been sold at fourteen Annas pr. Pollah the Ballance due from them would still have been very considerable; I called upon Rustum Ally Cawn for the Payment of his Share of this large Debt who pleaded his Incapacity of discharging it, alledging at the same Time that he had expended upwards of five thousand Rupees of his own Money for Servants Wages, Sibbendy Charges and defraying the Expences of Manufacturing the Salt which had reduced him to great Distress. This I found to be the true state of the Case and I knew Meer Sied Hussein to be incapable of discharging this Ballance himself on whom the whole was likely to rest. I therefore insisted upon Rustum Ally Cawn's furnishing some Means of securing to Meer Sied Hussein his share of the Ballance due from them who a few Days afterwards proposed to deliver him a quantity of Salt belonging to Mahomud Hussein. The Farmer of this Cowle in 1763 who

having a large Stock remaining which he was unable to dispose of, as the Farm was in other Hands and having been a considerable Sufferer by it the year he held it was I thought entitled to such Assistance as I could afford him without Prejudice to the Company or the present Farmer and as he offered to accept of 7 Anaes p^{r}. Pollah for as much of his Salt as Rustum Ally Cawns share of the Ballance amounted to, which was agreed to by Meer Said Hussein the Quantity of Salt has been delivered to him and the Amount of the Ballance remaining due from him and Rustum ally Cawn, transferd to his sole Account who having taken this Farm for the Term of three years on more easy Terms than it was ever before let, may be enabled to discharge their Debt to the Company in that Time, if the Lambardy people come down from the Country to purchase it, which as I have recommended to Hussein Ally to put a Stop to the Exorbitant Fees demanded from them by the Zemindars as far as this Jurisdiction extends, I am in hopes they will be encouraged to do, The Ballance of Rupees 4,000 due from Mahomud Hussein on account this I am for the year 1763 has been discharged.

As many of the Farms dependent on this Place expire the thirty first of next Month, I request to be Honord with your Commands concerning the reletting them, and am very respectfully

MASULIPATAM
22^{D}. APRIL 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient and very humble Servant
JOHN PYBUS.

MEER SAID HUSSEIN AND RUSTUM ALLY CAWN RENTERS OF MASULIPATAM AND PONRACCA SALT ON ACCT. WITH THE HONE. COMPY.

DR.

To the Amount of the Companys Rent of this Farm for one year from 9th. November 1763 to 9th. November 1764	70,000	—	—
To the Amount of the Ballance due by Meer Sied Hussein and Timmajee Renters of Masulipatam and Ponracca Salt ending the year 1762 which by the Tenor of their Cowle they have made themselves answerable for	34,550	—	—
RUPEES ..	104,550	—	—

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1765

March 31st.

By Cash paid at different Payments, into the Compys. Cash to this Day	22,150	—	—
By Profit and Loss, permitted to be wrote off from their account by the President and Council in their Commands of the 1st. Octr. 1764 being the Estimated Amount of Salt lost by the Storm in Decr. 1762 belongin to Timmajee & Meer Sied Hussein the then Farmers	15,181	4	—
By the Estimated Amount of Salt remaining this Days as pr. accot. taken by the Muzmadars & Puttivars vizt. New Salt Ca. 754–6–0 a. 10 Annas pr. Pollah or 4 annas less than the medium Price the Salt has been sold at this year the Terms on which it was agreed to be taken by the Tenor of their Cowle when they took this Farm being Rups. 25 pr. Candy. 18,857 — —			
Old Salt Ca. 350 Do. Do. @ 25 Rups. pr. Do. 8,750 — —			
	27,607	—	—
	64,938	4	0
By Ballance transferd to Meer Sied Hussein's Account the present Farmer	39,611	12	0
RUPEES ..	104,550	—	—

MASULIPATAM,
22 APRIL 1765.

ERRORS EXCEPTED
Pr. John Pybus.

No. 87.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.

President and Governor &ca. Council

of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have the Honor to reply to Your Favor of the 2d. Ultimo and must beg Leave to assure you that We shall always pay the utmost Attention to your Commands regarding the Upparah Merchts. and We must now observe to you, that we are sorry to find you have miscomprehended the Representation of those Merchants with Respect to their Complaint of being under the Resident at Ingeram which they term as a Degradation not from its being subordinate to this Place or through any dislike to Mr. Dolben, but on account of their having been always employed here and chiefly Inhabitants of this settlement which is of a more ancient Establishment than the former consequently their Connections this Way are of a long standing, which is their principal Reason for not complying with your Commands.

We are sorry you should think We have acted contrary to your Directions which was never our Intention as We have constantly aimed at a punctual Discharge of our Duty, and We are also sensible that any Opposition to your Orders would only appear vain and useless.

Mr. Dolbens Information with Respect to the Merchants being willing to contract with him, we cannot contradict, but it appears very strange to us that on their Return from thence two of them should immediately write us what We first advised you, that they would sooner leave the place, than be obliged to deliver Cloth at Ingeram in which they have always persisted and affirmed by signing this Letter to your Honor &ca. with the Rest of the Merchts.

The Gomastah who is concerned with Lacum Chitty Patisham, assured us that the offer Patisham had accepted from Mr. Dolben, was only on Account of his Dolben and not for himself but whether this is true We cannot say, as Patisham was not here at the Time the Merchants objected to the Delivery of the Cloth at Ingeram.

We must beg leave to remark that Mr. Dolbens Observations are not founded entirely on Facts, of which We shall now give you an irrefragable Instance, as We can confidently assure you that no persuasive Arguments were ever made use of with a View to bias their Inclinations and he also asserts that during the chiefship of Mr. Boddam and Lewin Smith trade was carried on at Upparah by Mr. Westcott which was really not the Case, for We find in those Times Mr. Heath resided at Upparah on purpose to provide Cloth for this Investment.

We think it needless to enter upon the Particulars of Mr. Dolbens Letter, as it would only serve to prolong Time to no purpose, for what We before informed you were real Facts as far as We could learn and notwithstanding what he asserts our Merchants still insist that his Merchants or their Agents are now providing Cloth to the northward of Upparah.

Your recommending to us to avoid Disputes with Mr. Dolben, was entirely unnecessary as nothing of the Kind has ever happen'd, and We hope never will. as its what We shall always endeavor to prevent and our sole Intentions in all our Transactions have been only to improve and increase the Investment as much as possible and We have no Reason to doubt but Mr. Dolben has been endeavoring at the same.

The Merchants being now in the Country We have sent to recall them and as soon as they return we shall communicate your sentiments in Answer to their Letter and likewise settle their Ballances as soon as possible and shall again represent your proposals.

We have the Honour to remain with the utmost Respect

VIZAGAPATAM
18TH. APRIL 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedt. Humo. Servts.

JOHN SMITH.
WM. BARKER.

No. 88.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.

SIR

My last to you was from Malacca, but being obliged to leave my Letters there in the Hands of the Dutch to be forwarded to you by the first Conveyance pretty sure they would be open'd according to the Dutch Custom, for which Reason could not possibly communicate my Intentions to you from that Place.

The only Acquaintance I had at Mallacca was one Mr. Cranmore who is Schibender there and speaks very good English the second Day after my Arrival there in Conversation, I had the Curiosity to ask him what sort of Place Siach was (which is almost opposite to Mallacca) for answer he told me he had just come from thence, and that it was a very unhealthy disagreable Place, that he had got a Disorder on him by going there he should not readily get quite of soon, and at the same Time complained of the Govert. unkind Behaviour to him in desiring him to go to Trangans a place in the Bay of Siam in order to get leave of the King to make a Settlement there.

Knowing this to be the Place the Panther had been at and in Consequence of what you had mentioned to me, I thought there was no Time to be lost. I sailed next Day for Tranjans and arrived there the 14th. June I was received there with every Mark of Friendship and Respect I could wish for, by the King and every Body about him he desired me not to think myself in a Mallay place but in one where Honor and Humanity were exercised as much as in any Place in the World he told me he knew the bad Opinion the European Nation had of the Mallays and a great many of them he allowed to be very bad, but if they knew but one half of the Cruelties the Dutch had been guilty of to the Mallays they would not be blamed so much as he believed they generally are. I told him I believ'd there was both good and bad of all Countries, and the whole should not be condemned for a few. I then acquainted him with my Reasons for coming there, That Mr. Palk Governor of Madras hearing of his noble generous and humane Behaviour by the Panther Man of War which had arrived at Madras before I sailed from thence had likewise told you of the Great Desire he had to have the English come and settle in his Dominions, I was then come to know whether he would still chuse to have them come or not. He gave me for Answer, that it was what he had long wished for but never having any opportunity to make any proposal to the English he had left of all Hopes of it, but as I was come there on that account he would very readily give me an Answer, which was that he could not wish for a greater pleasure than to see us come and settle there or in any place else in his Dominions, We should think most convenient for ourselves. We might likewise either fortifie the Place or to send three or four Gentlemen there to live under his Protection, but would not chuse to take a less Number, than three, he said one or two might dye, then there would be one to give an Account of the rest, which would be a very great Satisfaction

to him to be cleared of all Censure, and that those people on their Arrival should have the Direction of all the Trade of the Place, and of every other Part of his Dominions besides, and to suffer or hinder any other Trade there by any other Nation as We think proper and for his part at our Arrival he would immediately dispatch Vessels to all his Correspondents in the Bay of Siam, Cochin-China, Cambodia, Borneo, Bantam, Celebes, and the Spice Islands to acquaint them, of the English settling at Tranjans, after which he doubted but We sholud have a very great and advantagious Trade to and from all these Places, as to the Article of Tin, after you have settled there one or two years, he assures me you may collect at least 30,000 Bahar p^{r}. Year, and that at a very few price There is a place called Legore, which you will see on the Drafts, is a very principal place for Tin. There is three Mines which produce at least 30,000 Bahar p^{r}. Year wh^{h}. you may have for speaking for, it belongs to the King of Siam who would be glad to let you have that or any place else in his Dominions to be on good Terms with you again he says he is blamed very undeservedly for cutting of an English Ship, which he did not know any Thing about till it was over, after hearing of it he immediately sent a Guard, down to the place for the person who had been the Occasion of it, to put him to Death, and when the Guard had brough^{t}. him within two Days March of Siam he stabb'd himself.

Tranjans appears to be very healthy and pleasant large and very populous, abounding in good Provisions of all Sorts, and a fine River with Sixteen Foot Water over the Barr, and within Water enough for ships of any Burthen, The Chinese have a large Settlement and carry on a considerable Trade here, These the King said he would put under any Restrictions We pleased or send them all away if desired.

The Trade appearing to me so advantagious as to afford a Settlement here of our own, I thought it would be better to avoid any Broils with the King or his People to beat some Distance from his Residence, and therefore pointed out one of the Pidang Islands as a proper place, for that Purpose being about six or seven Leagues distance from Trangans he immediately offer'd it and sent for his Successor to witness thereto, in case of his own Death on his agreeing to give me one of the Islands I went and took a Survey of them. Drafts, of which I have sent you.

If you do get a Grant of a House at Legore, the next thing to be done is to make your Contract with the Chief of the place for Tin or any other Commodity the Place produces, Tin is always fixed at 30 or 33 Dollrs. p^{r}. Bahar, of 3 Peculs, or 400 pounds, but the less you contr^{t}. with the King for, the better as what you buy of private people will cost no more than 20 or 24 Dolls. p^{r}. Bahar, which is now even at the very low price, Tin is at this Place near one hundred p^{r}. Cent.

The next place is at Kancow, which is very considerable as all the Trade of Cambodia, centers there, there is raw silk in great Plenty and considerably better than the Bengal Silk, for a Rupee & a half a pound Elephants Teeth, and several other Articles which there will be a very great Advantage from at Canton.

In short the very great Advantage that appears to me from the Trade of this place seems to be equall or superior to either the Coast of Choromandell or that of Malabar as to Pepper you will say you have sufficient quantity from Bencoolen for the China Market, but in that Case you may always sell it to the Amoy Yunks, for as much as you can sell it for at Canton.

There is Cloves that came from the Eastward to Tranjano the season before I was there which they would have sold at 15 Dollars p^{r}. pecul and if We settled there We should be able to supply both China & India likeways a great part of Europe with that Article without going to these Islands to breed any Quarrel with the Dutch.

From the preceding and the Advantages that appeard to me from the Situation and produce of the place, I took the liberty to promise the King of Trangano, that some Ships should come next June or July with Gentlemen to settle there & as he wholly depends upon our coming, if the opportunity be lost, We shall not perhaps have the like again, in case you have no Europe Ships to send there, I think it would be proper to send a Country ship to sail from Madras the Beginning of April, by which means you may be able to purchase everything there by the Time the Ships come. I think you may send twenty Chests of Opium if it does not exceed 6 or 700 hundred Rupees two or three hundred Musquets and about one hundred Barrels of Gunpowder.

If the Weather will permit my touching at Trangans from this place I will, and contract for what Tin and pepper I can & leave a Letter for whom you shall send.

Any Ships you may send to Trangans, it will be proper for them to haul up close around Timoan and get in with the Mallay Shore as soon as they can, and keep along shore in 20 Fathoms of Water sailing between Pulo Capas de Mar and the Main and without Capas de Terr when at Anchors in Trangans Road at the Mouth of the River Bears W 35 S°. Pulo Capas de Terr bears W. 35 S°. Pulo Capas dee Perr S°. 32 E^{t}. distance from from [*sic*] the River Mouth about 3 Miles off Capas de Terr about 4 Leagues, depth of Water ½ 10 fathoms Mud & Clay Ground but may lay at half this Distance off shore in 8 Fathoms but this depends on the Appearance of the Weather. This comes by M^{r}. George Smith by whom you will receive the Plans mentioned. I sincerely wish the Success of this Undertaking and am with Esteem

CANTON
7TH. NOVEM^{R}. 1764.

SIR
Your most obedient humble Servant
JOSEPH JACKSON.

LIST OF THE PRODUCES OF SEVERAL PLACES IN THE BAY OF SIAM.

CALLITAN	produces Pepper.
PALLAINY	D°.
SINGORA	Tin and is the first Place that belongs to the King of Siam on this Coast from Trangano.
LIGORE	Produces Tin also Cotton & Cotton Cloth.
CHIA	Tin.
TUMPO	Fine Timbers for Building Ships.
PATUE	D°. Also the finest and greatest Quantity of Gold of any place in the Bay. These two places will not only build Ships but also Supply all our Settlements in India with what Timber you may want.
PEPRI	Great plenty of Salt.
CHANTABUM	Agle wood Elephants Teeth and Gambojee.
KANCOWE	The Center of all the Trade in Cambodia which appears from the Accounts I have had very advantagious It produces Raw Silk Elephants Teeth, and sugar in great plenty from 4 to 6 Rupees a Peeul and several Sorts of Drugs of great Value

No. 89.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

1. We wrote you last the 29th. January a Duplicate of which has also been transmitted, but have not since been favored with any Letters from you.

2. In a Letter received from the President and Council of Fort William dated 19th. November last, they mention their Intentions of sending the Asia to you in order for her proceeding to China, and as our Honble Masters have ordered that at all Events she shall go from hence to Bengal We have come to a Resolution of dispatchg. her immediately thither the Earl of Middlesex, Admiral Pocock, Calcutta and London, We expect to dispatch to Europe in the Coarse of the Season, and have determined to send the Talbot to China, exclusive of the York, the annual ship with Cargoes of Cotton Pepper Putchuck and Sandal wood, but as the amount thereof will fall almost 500,000 Rupees short of the Stocks ordered for those Ships, which in our present Circumstances it is absolutely out of our power to furnish them with, our Treasury being so very low as to put us to the disagreable Necessity of discharging all our Workmen from the Fortifications and other publick Works and as we have not been able but in a small Degree to avail ourselves of the Latitude you gave us to drawe on you; We flatter ourselves it will be in our power to make up this Deficiency by remitting the above Sum on your China Ships to the Supra Cargoes whom we shall advise accordingly, and as We really have no other Resource for making up the Stocks of the Talbot and the York, We rely entirely on your complying with this our Request and which We hope you will be able to do, without any sort of Inconveniency to your Affairs.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient Servants

Charles Crommelin.
Wm. Hornby.
W. A. Price.
R. H. Boddam.

Bombay Castle
20th. March 1765.

No. 90.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have had the Honor of your Letters of the 25th. and 30th. Ultimo and in Consequence of the former addressed Mr. Laws who is at Karical to desire he will order the Payment of Mr. Panons Bill of Exchange for Pagodas 1650 at Cuddalore.

Agreable to the Terms of the Contracts We have advanced the respective Merchants the fourth of the Amount each has agreed to furnish excepting to Streshalaputty who declined receiving his Part on Account of Troubles which he says he has Advice, subsist in the Mysore Country, near Salem occasioned by

an Irruption of a Large Body of Morattas, We have in vain represented to him that his Intelligence must be void of Foundation, or your Honor &ca. would have given us timely Notice thereof, and hope his Fear will soon subside as the Salem Cloth is so material a part of our Investment and he has contracted for the whole of that Article.

We shall take Care that in future an Account Current be transmitted on the closing of the April Accounts agreable to your Directions.

We take the Liberty of enclosing the Military and Civil Storekeepers Indents and to acquaint your Honor &c^{a}. that without an immediate supply of Tar the Godowns are in such bad Condition that notwithstanding the greatest Care the cloth that must be lodged therein will be in great Danger of being destroyed by the white Ants.

We have the Honor to be
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient humble Servants

J. L. SMITH.
JOHN CALLAND.
FRANCIS JOURDAN.

CUDDALORE
3^{D}. MAY 1765.

INDENT OF CIVIL STORES FOR THE USE OF CUDDALORE FACTORY.

Lead	6 Candies
Barr Iron Flat	15 D°.
D° Square	2 D°.
Anchors from 4 ℔ to 10	10
Grapnols from 1/2 to 1 ℔	6
Stationary	1 Chest
Iron Locks small	6
Padlocks of Sorts	36
Splinter Locks of Sorts	18
Tar	6 Barrels
Hand Hatchets	6
Tin Plates	50
Wood Axes	4
Chest Locks N°. 1	6
D°. N°. 2	8
Nails of Sorts	3 Candies

CUDDALORE
1ST. MAY 1765.

FRAN^{S}. JOURDAN,
Stok.

INDENT OF MILITARY STORES FOR THE USE OF CUDDALORE FACTORY.

+Carriages for 6 lbs.	3
D°. 3	3
D°. 1½	2
D°. 1	1
Limber Boxes for 6 lbs.	2
D°. for 3 lbs.	2
+Hand Spikes and Coins for all the Guns being	18
+Bottoms &c^{a}. for 3 & 6 lb. Shott	
+Cases &c^{a}. for D°. D°. Grape	

INDENT OF MILITARY STORES FOR THE USE OF CUDDALORE FACTORY—*cont.*

Cartridge Boxes	300
Slings	100
Bayonet Belts & Frogs	300
Worms	1,000
Hammers or Turnkeys	1,000
Pickers	1,000
Drum Heads	12
Bayonet Scabbards	300

CUDDALORE
2D. MAY 1765.

FRANCIS JOURDAN,
Milty. Storekeeper.

N.B.—Those marked with a Cross may be made at Cuddalore.

No. 91.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I did myself the Honor to address you under Date the 17th. Instant.

The Disturbances in these parts will I fear be a very great hindrance to the Investment, not a Day passes but some Village or other is plunderd, there are several Towns which have many Times suffered in that Manner alternately by each Party and it is now rumourd with how much Foundation I am unable to say that should the English Forces assist Hussain Ally Cawn in giving the Rajahs any Disturbance in their present Possessions, they threaten by Way of Retaliation to plunder the English Factories.

I have this Month been obliged to entertain two Fishermen with a small Doney to pass the Tappa peons the Passage Doney having sometime ago been forcibly carried away. I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

INGERAM
26TH. APRIL 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble and most obedt. Servt.
GEORGE DOLBEN.

No. 92.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

This waits on your Honor &ca. with the Accounts of this Place for the Month

At foot hereof is an Account of Cloth on Hand.

I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

INGERAM
1ST. MAY 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble and most obedt. Servt.
GEORGE DOLBEN.

CLOTH on hand at the Wash.

LONG CLOTH ORDINARY	1256	pieces
Dº. Dº. MIDLING	726	
Dº. Dº. FINE	292	
	2274	Pˢ.

Nº. 93.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQᴿ.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR ON THE COAST OF CHOROMANDEL

OF THE ROYAL ENGLISH COMPANY AND THE COUNCIL

AT MADRAS.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

By the Letter We wrote you the 30th. of November of last Year We have promised you that by the Arrival here of our late second at Bimilipatnam Jan Visscher. We should nearer inform us about the Merchants of the Company in Name Moepaddy Chitty Jagaya, Tammena Jagoenay Keloe, and Nalamala Narsimcoele, who were fled from said Bimilipatnam, to Poenemarken Visagapatnam & Visianagram, and entertain you then further about it, and because aforesaid second is since arrived here and not only has very justly acknowledged and proved that these three Merchants in the year 1763 in his presence has signed their clearing Accounts, as well as all the other Merchants at Bimilipatnam but besides a new, have concludᵈ. the Contracts for the Year 1764 and thus their Pretence as well, that their Debt by one Siccawierana was taken upon him as that ever since 4 years they should have left Bimilipatnam is a pure fegned Story of them. We desire you therefore friendly that you would give orders to your Residents of aforesaid Places to send over these Merchants as Debtors to the Dutch Company to our chiefs at Bimilipatnam, to the end to be able to clear their Arrears with the Company which when executed We assure you that they will be permitted to go where they please and in which Expectation. We have the Honour to remain with great Esteem.

NEGAPATAM IN THE FORT
6 MAY 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedᵗ. and most faithfull Servants

C. H. VAN TEYLINGEN.
H. LAMBRUGGEN.
T. CANTERVISCHER.
P. J. L. DE FIELLITAS.
H. BOWLE.
T. D. SEVERIN.
CORN PIETEREZ.
J. HASELHAMP.
D. VRYMOET.
Jº. VAN TESSEL.

No. 94.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.

President & Governor &ca. Council

of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The inclosed is Duplicate of our last since when We have not received any of your Favors.

2. Our Honble Masters Ships Talbot & York are now dispatched to Tellicherry to receive on board the Sandal Wood and Pepper provided for them in part of their Stocks to China and that you may beat a Certainty what sum of Money will really be required, to compleat the same to forty thousand (40000) Pounds sterling each agreable to the Honble Companys Orders, We have directed the Chief and Factors, to transmit you a Calculate thereof immediately on their dispatching the Ships to China, and We flatter ourselves your Honor &ca. will not fail to comply with our earnest Request for remitting such a sum to the supra Cargoes, by the Coast and China ships, as will amply make up the Same, We now therefore enclose an Extract from their last Advices to us in Respect to the Species of Money to be sent there for your Notice and Observation.

3. Our Honble Masters ship London is now under dispatch for Europe, & We hope to get her away in ten or twelve Days.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient Servants
Chas. Crommelin.
Wm. Hornby.
Wm. A. Price.
R. H. Boddam.

Bombay Castle
7th. April 1765.

Copy of three Paragraphs of a Letter from the Resident Supra Cargoes at Canton under Date 8th. of November 1764.

We must beg the Favor of you to be very exact in separating the several Sorts of Rupees you design for this Place.

In our Payments here We reduce all our Silver to Dollars standard.

As the Chinese Essayers are very incorrect, and differ sometimes 1 & 1½ pr. Cent We shall be obliged to you if you will Essay 10 or 20 Rupees of every different Sort you design for this place and send us an Account how much better they are than English standard. This Method We should be glad if you could follow every year, for We find from the Chinese that the same sort of Rupees differs in fineness; and the Gentlemen at Madras inform us that the Surat Rupees are sometimes only two, and sometimes eight pr. Cent better than standard.

A true Copy
Andw. Ramsay
Sectry.

No. 95.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.

President & Governor &ca. Council

of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have received your Favours of the 8th. Febry. and 2d. Ultimo.

The Neptune Galley imported here the 21st. March from whom We landed the Freight on board from your Presidency and dispatched her to Bombay the 25th. with the Packet your Honor &ca. inclosed, our Honble Masters Ship the Calcutta sailed also from hence the same Day.

Accompanying your Honor &ca. will receive a packet from our superiors agreable to whose Directions We now send you two Calculates of the stocks on board ships Talbot and York destined for China this season whom We dispatched thither Yesterday in Order for your taking such steps as may appear most eligible for compleating the same to Forty thousand (40,000) pounds sterling each by the ships from your Coast.

We are in hourly Expectation of the Arrival of our Honble Masters Ship London from the Presidency to compleat her loading here for Europe and whom We hope will be clear, of this Coast by the 15th. Instant at furthest.

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obedient Humble Servants

T. Byfield.

H. Hurt.

Robert Sparks.

Wm. Townsend.

Tellicherry

the 1st. May 1765.

Calculate of ship Yorks stock to Canton.

Shipped at Bombay Vizt.				11025	—	—				
Cotton 300 Bales Poizs. 150 Cans. at Rups. 73½ pr. Candy.										
Surat Charges Vizt.										
Customs 2 pr. Cent..	220	2	0							
Screw hire & Packing.	37	2	0							
Boat Hire	87	2	90							
				345	2	90				
							11370	2	90	1421 6 9¾
Putchuck 15 Bags Gross				711	1	27				
Tare each Bag 21 lb. ..				2	3	07				
				68	2	20 is				
@ 44 Seer pr. Md. 187. 12½ @ 24 1 pr. Md. shipped here Vizt.							4541	2	0	567 13 9
Pepper 400 Cans. at 112–3–48. pr. Candy.							45148	—	—	5643 10 —

CALCULATE OF SHIP YORKS STOCK TO CANTON—*cont.*

SANDAL WOOD VIZT.										
1st. Sort 78. 1715 at 145 pr. Cent.	11436	3	50							
2d. Sort 38. 12. 7 135 Do.	5212	2	30							
				16649	1	80	2081	3	7½
Charges & Customs on the above.				1328	2	74	166	1	8¾
				79038	1	44	9879	15	11
Wanting to compleat her Stock.				240961	2	56	30120	4	1
				320000	—	—	40000	—	—

Errors Excepted.

TELLICHERRY,
30TH APRIL 1765.

THOS. BYFIELD.
HARRY HURT.
WM. TOWNSEND.
ROBT. SPARKS.

A true copy.

R. SPARK,
Accts.

CALCULATE OF SHIPS TALBOT'S STOCK TO CANTON

SHIPT AT BOMBAY									
COTTON 300 Bales pz 150 Candy @ 73½ pr. Cy. pr. Candy.	11025	—	—						
SURAT CHARGES VIZT.									
Customs 2 pr. Cent.	220	2	—						
Screw hire & Package.	37	2	—						
Boat hire ..	87	2	90						
	345	2	90						
				11370	2	90	£ 1421	s. 6	d. 9¾
PUTCHUCK 15 Bales pz. GROSS				70	—	—			
TARE 70.									
13 Bags, each 21 lb.	2	1	21						
2 Do. 14 lb.		1	—						
	2	2	21						
	67	2	07 [sic]						
							1421	6	9¾
@ 44 Seer pr. Surat Maund 184. 10½ @ 23½ Rs. pr. Surat Maund.				Rs. 44,673	15	—	558	9	5½
SHIPT HERE VIZT.									
PEPPER 400 Cas. 112.3. 48 pr. Candy				45,148	—	—	5,643	10	—

CALCULATE OF SHIPS TALBOT'S STOCK TO CANTON—*cont.*

SANDAL WOOD VIZ^{T}.											
1st. Sort p^{r}. C^{y}.	79	6	5	@	145	11,499	2	84			
2 D^{o}. p^{r}. C^{y}.	37	8	21	@	135	5,053	2	90			
									16,553	1 74	2,069 3 07
CHARGES & CUSTOMS on the Pepper & Sand^{l}. wood.									1,329	3 19	166 4 6
									78,869	2 98	9,858 14 4¼
Wanting to compleat her stock									2,41,130	1 02	30,141 4 7¾
									3,20,000	— —	40,000 — —

TELLICHERRY
30TH. APRIL 1765 Es. ED.

PR. THO^{S}. BYFIELD.
H^{Y}. HURT.
ROBERT SPARKS.
WILLIAM TOWNSEND.

A true Copy.

ROBERT SPARKS.
Acc^{t}.

N^{o}. 96.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

The Ship Swan touching here for Water in her way to your Presidency affords us the Opportunity of enclosing your Honor &c^{a}. Duplicate of our Letter to you yesterday p^{r}. Pattamar and of the Calculates therein mentioned.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obed^{t}. Humble Serv^{ts}.

TELLICHERRY
2^{D}. MAY 1765.

T. BYFIELD.
H. HURT.
ROB^{T}. SPARKS.
W^{M}. TOWNSEND.

N^{o}. 97.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have been honored with your Commands of the 25th. Ultimo and now transmit the Accounts of this Settlement for the Month of March.

The Statement of the years Investment shall in Obedience to your orders be forwarded in future by the Time you direct.

I am very respectfully
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your very obedient and most humbl. Servt.

John Pybus.

Masulipatam
3d. May 1765.

No. 98.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your Commands of the 30th. Ultio. and 4th. Instant reached me yesterday. The Tappies have been alarmed by some stragling Morattoe Horse belonging to Nizam Ally's Army who have plunderd and destroyed some Villages on the Road between this place & Madras which has given some Interruption to the usual Dispatch of Letters.

I have advertised for receiving proposals for the Farms dependent on this place expiring the 31st. Instant conformably to your Orders and will forward such as I may receive in Time to reach you if possible by the 20th.

Your Commands relating to an annual Account between this Settlement & Madras and closing the Head of Bandarmalanka Factory shall be duely observed.

I am very respectfully
Honble Sir & Sirs,
Your very obedient and most humble Servant
John Pybus.

Masulipatm.
11th. May 1765.

No. 99.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have received your Letters of the 4th. and 5th. Instant and are glad to find the Lapwings Packet has safely reached you.

In Consequence of your Representation respectg. the Disposal of this Vessell We have agreed to send her down to you, but having consulted the Master Attendant with regard to her proceeding immediately, We find she cannot attempt it without a very great risk and have therefore determined to defer her Dispatch till a more proper season sets in.

We have duely Honor'd the draft advised in your first Letter and given the necessary Directions in Consequence of your Representation therein concerning the Baftaes to be sent you in future for Chints.

Enclosed We transmit you Duplicates of our two last Letters And are

FORT WILLIAM
THE 15TH. APRIL 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedt. Humble Servants

J. SPENCER.
C. S. PLAYDELL.
R. LEYCESTER.
GEORGE GRAY.

P.S.—Since writing the foregoing the Prince of Wales has imported but tho her Passage has been so tedious she has been fortunate enough by putting in at different Places, and procuring proper Refreshment to bring the Recruits on board her in extreme good Health. She parted with the Kent on the 29th. Ultio. under the Line intending to touch at your Presidency and We learn by private Advices that she arrived with you the 10th. Instant.

No. 100.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

The Syren Snow has safely imported with us, and We have received your Letter by her of the 6th. Instant.

The Gentlemen at Fort Marlborough have made the same Application to us, as you, for a supply of Rice, but being unable from the lateness of the season to comply therewith We judge it proper to remark it to you for your Government, in furnishing them till we have it in our power from the Return of the proper Season.

We shall pay due Honor to the Bill you advise to have drawn on us, and are with Esteem

FORT WILLIAM
22D. APRIL 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedt. Hume. servts.

JOHN SPENCER.
C. S. PLAYDELL.
RALPH LEYCESTER.
GEORGE GRAY.

No. 101.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR OF FORT ST. GEORGE
ON THE COAST OF CHOROMANDEL &CA. &CA. ON BEHALF
OF THE RIGHT HONBLE EAST INDIA COMPANY.

HONBLE SIRS

I have by these to communicate to you my safe arrival here form Batavia on the 15th. Currt. as Counseller extraordinary of the Dutch East India Company, Governor & Director of the Coast of Choromandel instead of Mr. O. V.

Jeylingen who according to his Desire has received his Dismission of the high Council of India I desire therefore you to renew with me the Continuance of Friendship between both our Nations and to be assured that I will never fail on my Side to contribute what may be required to preserve the same; also that nothing will be more agreable than to convince you that I remain

NEGAPATAM
IN THE FORT 18 MAY 1765.

HONBLE SIR
Your most faithfull and most obed^{t}. servant

P. S. HARSTEEN.

N^{o}. 102.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have been honored with your Letters of the 7th. and 16th. Inst. and the Chief has received one from M^{r}. Secretary Aldersey of the 15th.

Streeshalaputty has received his Advance the Troubles being as he says at an End in the Mysore Country We fear this Delay may hereafter be urged by him as an Excuse for not supplying the whole quantity of Salem Cloth however your Honor &c^{a}. may be assured of our utmost Endeavors to oblige him as well as all the other Merchants to fulfill their Contracts.

The Sums of Pagodas 400 from M^{r}. Langlois and of 1600 from M^{r}. Law advised of in M^{r}. Alderseys Letter have been received & shall be brought to account agreable to your Directions We have also received 3000 Pagodas from M^{r}. Brouwer at Tranquebar which he could not invest in Silver to the Southward.

We have the honor to enclose you the Hamuldar of Chenamnaickpollam and Nediaput his Account of the produce of the said Villages from the 16th. November 1764 to the 30th. April 1765 together with the Jamabundy or annual statement thereof.

We have likewise the Honor to enclose the Cash Acc^{t}. & Journal Parcels for last Month, with an open Account Current of the Presidency with this Factory, as the general Accounts cannot with propriety be closed, until We hear how the Acc^{t}. Curr^{t}. agrees with your general Books. We are to request the Favor of your Honor &c^{a}. to acquaint us therewith as soon as convenient.

We are with the greatest Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient Humble Servants

CUDDALORE
23^{D}. MAY 1765.

T. L. SMITH.
JOHN CALLAND.
FRANCIS JOURDAN.

LIST OF CLOTH ON HAND.

Bales at Dyers	31
— at Washers	14½
— Beaters	5½
Bales ..	51

AN ACCOUNT Jamabandy or Valuation of the produce of the Rents & Revenues of CHENNAMANAICKPOLLAM & NEDIAPUTT as near as possible from the 1st. August 1764 to thirty first July 1765, Vizt.

CHENNAMANAICKPOLLAM.

Grain Lands	532		
Weavers &ca. Dutyes	95		
Juncans	105		
Tammerin & Jack	25		
	—	757	— —

NEDIAPUTT.

Grain Lands	514 —		
Juncan	45 —		
Weavers &ca. Dutyes	85 —		
Tammerin & Jacks	24 —		
Palmeira Toap	5 21		
		673	21 —
PAGODAS ..		1430	21 —

AUDIMOOLAPILLA,
Havildar.

ACCOUNT Neat proceeds of the Rent of CHENNAMANAICKPOLLAM & NEDIAPUTT deliverd in by AUDIMOOLAPILLA HAVILDAR.

Dr.

1764 from 16th to Novembr. 30.	To Cash received of the Juncans of Chennamanaickpollam.		16	37	40
	To Dº. Fees of the Head Tenants.		—	30	—
	To Dº. Juncans of Nediaputt ..		1	42	15
	To. Dº. Grain Lands		12	22	15
	PAGODAS ..		32	2	70
Decembr. 1st	To Ballance brought from last Month.		9	24	30
31	To Cash received of the Juncan of Chennamanaickpollam.	12 27 75			
	To Dº. Fees of the Head tenants.	— 40 —			
	To Dº. Juncan of Nediaputt.	5 5 2			
	To Dº. Grain Lands ..	1 24			
			20	10	77
	PAGODAS ..		29	35	27

Cr.

1764 from 16 to Novemr. 30.	By Cash advanced the Tenants of Chennamanaickpollam.	9 — —	17	0	0
	By Dº. Dº. of Nediaputt.	15 — —	5	21	40
	By Servants Wages.		22	21	40
	By Ballance		9	24	30
	PAGODAS ..		32	2	70
Decemr. 31st.	By Cash advanced the Tenants of Nediaputt. ..		2	6	—
	By Servants Wages		11	—	—
			13	6	0
	By Ballance		16	29	27
	PAGODAS ..		29	35	27

ACCOUNT Neat proceeds of the Rent of CHENNAMANAICKPOLLAM & NEDIAPUTT deliverd in by AUDIMOOLAPILLA HAVILDAR—*cont.*

1765								1765						
Janry.	1st.	To Ballance brought from last Month.	..	..	16	29	27	Janry.	31st.	By Servants Wages	..	..	11	— —
	31st.	To Cash received of the Juncan of Chennamanaick[m].	28	3 18						By Ballance	..	..	62	31 —
		To D°. Fees of the Head Tenants.	—	40 40										
		To D°. Grain Lands ..	6	14 —										
		To D°. Juncan of Nediaputt.	3	37 75										
		To D°. Grain Lands ..	17	35 —										
					57	1	53							
		PAGODAS ..			73	31	—			PAGODAS ..			73	31 —

ACCOUNT Neat proceeds of the Rent of CHENNAMANAICKPOLLAM & NEDIAPUTT deliverd in by AUDIMOOLAPILLA HAVILDAR—*cont.*

Febry. 1st.	To Ballance brought from last Month.	..			62	31	—
31	To Cash received of the Juncan of Chennamanaickm.	14	36	—			
	To Dº. Fees of the Head Tenants.	1	6	40			
	To Dº. Grain Lands ..	122	20	40			
	To Dº. Juncan of Nediaputt.	5	23	78			
	To Dº. Grain Lands ..	202	34	—			
					316	31	18
	PAGODAS ..				554	8	10
March 1st. ..	To Ballance brought from last Month.				237	19	72
31st.	To Cash received of the Juncan of Chennamanaickpollam.	13	42	40			
	To Dº. Fees of the Head Tenants.	1	3	20			
	To Dº. Grain Lands ..	93	13	40			
	To Dº. Juncan of Nediaputt.	5	23	78			
	To Dº. Grain Lands ..	202	34	—			
					316	31	18
	PAGODAS ..				554	8	10

February 31st.	By Cash advanced the Weavers of Nediaputt.				3	21	—
	By Servants Wages				11	—	—
					14	21	—
	By Ballance				237	19	72
	PAGODAS ..				251	40	72
March 31st.	By Servants Wages				11	—	—
	By Ballance				543	8	10
	PAGODAS ..				554	8	10

ACCOUNT Neat proceeds of the Rent of CHENNAMANAICKPOLLAM & NEDIAPUTT deliverd in by AUDIMOOLAPILLA HAVILDAR—*cont.*

1765 April 1st.	To Ballance brought fm. last Month.				543	8	10	April 30th. ..	By Servants Wages			11	—	—
30	To Cash received of the Juncan of Chennamanaickm.	26	14	40					By Ballance			885	21	60
	To Dº. Fees of the Head Tenants.	—	16	—										
	To Dº. Grain Lands ..	99	29	60										
	To Dº. Juncan of Nediaputt.	5	33	40										
	To Dº. Grain Lands ..	89	—	70										
					221	8	50							
	To Cash received of the Tenants of Chinamam. the Advance made them by Moodukistnapilla.	33	32	—										
	To Dº. Dº. of Nediaputt Dº.	75	32	—										
					109	21	—							
	To Dº. Dº. of Chinnamanaickm. the Advance made them by Audimoolapilla.	2	—	—										
	To Dº. Dº. of Nediaputt Dº.	20	27	—										
					22	27	—							
			PAGODAS ..		896	21	60			PAGODAS ..		896	21	60

ABSTRACT of the neat proceeds of the Rent of CHENNAMANAICKPOLLAM & NEDIAPUTT from 16th. November 1764 to 30th. April 1765.

Dr.

To Cash received of the Juncan at Chennamaickm.	112	32	53				
To Dº. Fees of the Head Tenants.	5	7	20				
To Dº. Grain Lands ..	321	34	60				
To Dº. Juncan of Nediaputt.	27	38	42				
To Dº. Grain Lands ..	368	38	5				
				836	22	20	
To Cash received of the Tenants of Chennamanm. the Advance made them by Moodukistnapillee.	33	32	—				
To Dº. Dº. of Nedia putt.	75	32	—				
				109	21	—	
To Dº. Dº. of Chennamanaickpm. the Advances made them by Audimoolapillee.	2	—	—				
To Dº. Dº. of Nediaputt Dº.	20	27	—				
				22	27	—	
PAGODAS ..				968	27	20	

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By Cash advanced the Tenants of Chennamanm.	2	—	—				
By Dº. Do. of Nediaputt.	20	27	—				
				22	27	—	
By Servants Wages				60	21	40	
				83	5	40	
By Ballance				885	21	60	
PAGODAS ..				968	27	20	

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

Pr. AUDIMOOLAPILLEE : HAMILDAR.

No. 103.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have duely received your Favors of the 9th. and 25th. Ultimo and shall punctually follow your Orders regarding the Packers, as also what you write us about the Manilha Stores.

In our Letter of the 21st. of December we inclosed you an Indent of what military Stores was wanted, and We thought would be of use in this Settlement, and desired you would be pleased to let us furnish ourselves out of the Stores received from Manilha, which if you think reasonable We hope you will favor us with your Permission.

The Stock of Gunpowder now in Garrison being only Four Barrells, We request you will order us a further supply as soon as possible, out of your last Consignment there were three Barrells of it dust and unfit for use.

Our Serjeant Major of Sepoys has the Care of the Military Stores under the Storekeeper, therefore We hope you will be so good as to order him his full Pay which We before desired in our of the 24th. of March last.

We observe your Honor &ca. have appointed Mr. John Davidson Second of this place, and We are accordingly expecting him.

The Chief will take Care, and follow the Directions you were pleased to give him, when any Disturbances happen in this Country.

The Ballance of our Cash being very low We beg you will please to supply with 15 or 20,000 Madras Pagodas by the first opportunity, as We imagine We shall be in Want thereof by the Time you can make us a Remittance.

We have now found out the Reason for the two Upparah Merchants acting so misteriously as they did of late; by writing us one Thing and telling Mr. Dolben the Contrary Their Families being numerous, they were resolved to divide them so that some might live here and supply us with Cloth, within our Bounds, and the others remain at Upparah to provide Cloth for Mr. Dolben at Ingeram, and We hear he has made them some Advances for that Purpose, as this Method may tend to the Advantage of the Investment in general, We shall comply therewith tho their Behaviour to us on this Occasion has been very vexatious, and We shall accordingly write Mr. Dolben thereon, by which We hope these Matters will now be entirely settled.

Inclosed We transmit you a Copy of a Letter We lately received from Mr. Lowe at Ganjam, with the Merchants prizes of Salempores, which on Enquiry We find greatly exceeds what Mr. Andrews used to pay for those Goods, which were provided at the Rate of 54 Rupees pr. Corge for Cloth of 13½ & 14 Punjum, & We understand those Merchants are still indebted to the Company, for former Contracts with Mr. Andrews, the Country there seems to be very unsettled at present, Mr. Lowe having lately made a Complaint here of some ill Usage he had met with from the Head Man of that Place, the Chief upon which wrote to the Rajahs General who has the Care of that District, and He has promised to remedy any Complaints in future.

We have made strict Enquiry about Salempores and they all assure us the ordinary Sorts that used to be made here were no more than 13½ & 14 punjum, We therefore desire to know if those Sorts would be agreable to you, as when there is any Alteration it is very difficult to settle the Prices with the Merchants, as they are always endeavoring to take the Advantage of anything that is new, please to order us another Muster of Salempores for what We before received was sent to Ganjam.

If your Honor &c^{a}. think it necessary we would be willingly be favored with your Directions, in what Manner we are to proceed in Case our Troops &c^{a}. from Masulipatam march for the Northward of this Place.

We have received the Stores consigned us by the Bristoll which were agreable to the Bills of lading Captain Brodie deliverd us signed by himself, he being in a Hurry in getting clear of the Vessells, in the Road, the cattamaran Man went away without them, which he hopes you will excuse.

WE ARE with the greatest Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient hume. Servts.

JOHN SMITH.
WM. BARKER.

VIZAGAPATAM
12TH. MAY 1765.

TO JOHN SMITH ESQR. CHIEF &CA.
COUNCIL AT VIZAGAPATAM.

GENTLEMEN

Agreable to your Orders of the 10th. March I have had the Musters of Salempores examined by the Merchants & Manufactures here, and they are willing to manufacture the same on the following Terms,

That they will make Salampores agreable to said Musters at the following Prices.

ORDINARY SALAMPORES Rups. 60 pr. Corge
MIDLING Do. 65 . . . .

That they must be advanced Money before hand to the Amount of the Quantity to be made by them.

That they will take Goods to the Amount of half the Number of pieces agreed for at the same Rate they were formerly sold here by Mr. John Andrews.

That whatever Pieces shall be short either in Length or Breadth, of the said Musters or any Difference in the thread or weaving are to be taken back by them or else the Difference deducted from the settled price.

That they will give their own Security in writing for their Performance of the said Agreement.

The ordinary Salampores Price is not equal on examining the Cloth which they acknowledge, but alledge this Reason, that no body will make them alone, as they are more troublesome and less profitable than the midling Sort.

I AM GENTLEMEN
Your most obedt. Humbe. Servant

JOHN LOWE.

GANJAM
APRIL 23D. 1765.

No. 104.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Inclosed I have the honor to transmit you the Proposals, which have been delivered me in Consequence of the Advertisement for reletting the Farms dependant on this Place expiring the 31st. Instant, The Characters and Circumstances of the Persons they come from I shall here take the Liberty of giving to the best of my Knowledge and Judgement.

Maddala Reddy and Gorrauze, Joint Renters of several Farms last year with Condraigulloo Juggoo Puntaloo have always paid their Rents regularly and bear good Characters, but as they were the principal Servants belonging to the French Government, when this Place was in their Possession and are now engaged in the same Service under the present Resident here for that Nation, I submit it to the Determination of your Honor &c^{a}. whether it may be proper to continue to them the Priviledge of farming any Countries dependant on us, now the Fench are reestablished in these Parts.

Condragulloo Juggoo Puntaloo & Moosalanty Caumajee Puntaloo Servants of the Company who have been faithfull and Assiduous in the Discharge of their Duty Are Men of fair Character, and in good tho not affluent Circumstances, have always paid their Rents regularly for the Farms they have held.

Condraigulloo Vencatarayloo son of the late Farmer of Nelley Pilley of good Character and Circumstances.

I have not as yet received any Proposals from the Muglatore Rajah as he is at Camp with Hussein Ally or from Bandarmalanka, but expect them in two or three Days, and shall forward them immediately on coming to Hand.

The Town of Yanam which was included in the Cowle for Nella Pilley &c^{a}. Towns is now to be restored to the French conformably to the Treaty of peace, its annual Revenue is estimated at two hundred and fifty Pagodas.

I AM very respectfully
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your very obedient and most hum^{e}. Serv^{t}.
JOHN PYBUS.

MASULIPATAM
18TH. MAY 1765.

N^{o}. 105.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have received your Favor of the 4th. Instant together with the accompanying Bill of Exchange drawn upon us in your Favor for Current Pagodas 312. 18 Fan., being the Exchange settled at Bombay for 1000 Bombay Rupees advanced to M^{r}. Carfflen Neebuhr and send now by a Catamaran 312 Star Pagodas, 18 Fan^{s}. for the discharging of the said Bill, We understand that by Current Pagodas you meant Star Pagodas, notwithstanding in that Case the Exchange seems to us to be very high, should you have meant another Sort of Pagodas of a lower Value, We shall expect that you will be so good as to cause the Difference restored The following Letter to Major Call We beg must be delivered to him. We have the Honor to be with the most perfect Esteem

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obed^{t}. Humb^{e}. Serv^{ts}.
H. ALBESTIEE.
J. H. GILLEM PALK.
G. HUULBECK.
OBIE.

[TRANQUEBAR
20TH. MAY 1765.]

No. 106.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Mr. Johannis Manuel of this Place begs me to give him this Letter of Advice to acquaint your Honor &ca. that he advanced to me the Sum of 1500 fifteen hundred round spanish Dollars for a Bill drawn by the Honble Governor and Council of Fort Marlbro at sight on your Honor &ca. in Favor of John Herbert Esqr. by him sent blank indorted [*Sic*] to me and by me filled up in favor of said Mr. Manuel payable to Chamur Sultan at Madras.

I have the Honor to be
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient Humble Servant
James Burnell.

Batavia
16 March 1765.

No. 107.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Occasion of our addressing you by this present Conveyance of the Snow Elizabeth Captn. Jacob Johnson is to advise our having this Day passed the following Bills on your Honor &ca. Council, payable at thirty Days Sight to the order of Captn. Jacob Johnson payable in Madras, Value received of Richard Wiatt Esqr. and the owners of the Snow Elizabeth.

Pags.	2,000	or $ 3,200	— —
	1,000	1,600	— —
	750	1,200	— —

To all which We beg you would please to shew accustomed Honor.

We remain
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedt. humo. Servants
Roger Carter.
Richard Wiatt.
Josh. Darvale.
Robert Hay.
Robert Nairne.
John Herbert.

Fort Marlbro
1st. April 1765.

No. 108.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

1. We did ourselves the pleasure of addressing you under Date the 11th. January, by the Speedwell Captn. John Johnson and the 1st. April by the Elizabeth Snow Captn. Jacob Johnson Duplicates whereof go Numbers in this Packet.

2. Since this We have received your several Favors of the 18th. Septr. 26 January and 13 March (the latter by the Admiral Watson Captn. Blewit who arrived here the 18th. Ultimo inclosing the sundry Papers agreable to the List of the Packet).

3. The Earl of Middlesex, Capt. Henry Fletcher by whom this present Address goes after many unsuccessful Attempts to reach this Place, at length happily arrived here the 29th. Ultimo.

4. We have not been wanting in giving her all the Dispatch possible from hence after She had provided herself with Water and other necessaries she stood in need of.

5. Captn. Fletcher has delivered here 544 Bags of Rice 34 Jarrs of Ghee and 77 Bags Doll, being the Remainder of the stock he took in at Fort William, when he sailed from thence last year to the French Islands for the Maintenance of the Prisoners left there belonging to this Place, but as Part of the original supply has been expended for the Use of other Passengers he had on board not destined here We have thought it most eligible that this Account should be left entirely to your Honor &ca. Council to settle with Captn. Fletcher upon his Arrival at Madras.

6. He has also laid before us an Account for victualling the above Prisoners which We have paid to Captn. Fletcher but as our Treasury is now lowe We have given him a Bill for the same on your Honour & Council for Pagodas 1155—7—10 Copy of the Bill We now inclose your Honor, as part of the within named persons are gone to other Parts of India that you may be able if you think proper to recover their Respective Amount of the Charge.

7. Captn. Fletcher would also have presented us with another Account for victualling part of his Majestys 84th. Regiment whom he received on board at Batavia, but as We judged that the Expences incident to the transporting the Kings Troops more immediately fell under your Consideration We have agreed to refer it to your Honor &ca. Council.

8. The Middlesex upon her Departure from Batavia left there the Duke of Richmond Captn. Legeyt, The Duke of Gloucester Captn. Burdett and Earl Elgin Captn. Cooke bound to Canton The Soleby & Beckingham for this Place from Madagascar were likewise there.

9. Inclosed you will please to receive our annual Indent, with which we beg a Compliance as opportunity may offer.

10. Copy of Captn. Fletchers sailing orders you will please to receive likewise.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedt. Humble Servants

FORT MARLBRO
PMO MAY 1765.

ROGER CARTER.
RICHARD WYATT.
JOSEPH DARVALE.
ROT. HAY.
ROBERT NAIRNE.
JOHN HERBERT.
HEW STEUART.
JOHN GUILD.

P.S.—We have further taken the Liberty of drawing on your Honors Six hundred Dolls. or three hundred and seventy five Pagodas payable to George

Stratton Esq^{r}. value Received of Hew Steuart Esq^{r}. another Bill to Andrew Ross Esq^{r}. or twelve hundred and fifty Pagodas, value received of Rich^{d}. Wyatt Esq^{r}.

ROGER CARTER.
RICH^{D}. WYATT.
JOSEPH DARVALE.
ROB^{T}. HAY.
ROBERT NAIRNE.
JOHN HERBERT.
HEW STEUART.

INDENT OF SUNDRIES wanted at FORT MARLBRO.

Salt	Garce 20 twenty Garce.
Madeira wine	Pipes 10 Ten pipes.

ROGER CARTER.
RICH^{D}. WIATT.
JOSEPH DARVALE.
ROBERT HAY.
ROBERT NAIRNE.
JOHN HERBERT.
HEW STEWART.
JOHN GUILD.

INDENT OF WARES WANTED FROM MADRAS FOR THE YEAR 1766.

Chintz White Ground fine	Cor.	1	10	—
Midde.		3	—	—
red Ground		2	—	—
Palempores large		2	—	—
small		1	—	—

MILITARY CLOATHING

Coats, Serjeants Infantry	12
D^{o}. Artillery	3
Coats Corporal Infantry	12
D^{o}. Artillery	3
Coats Bombadiers D^{o}.	8
D^{o}. Gunners	20
D^{o}. Drummers	8
D^{o}. Fifers	4
D^{o}. Matrosses	57
D^{o}. Centinels Infantry	200

SEPOY CLOATHING

Coats Havildar	11
Coats Nay	15
D^{o}. Centinels	89

MILITARY SLOPS

Shirts	500
Breeches Gingham	500
Waist coats D^{o}.	500

HOSPITAL SLOPS

Beds		300
Pillows		200
Quilts		300
Long Drawers		300
Banyans		300
Caps		300
Ginghams viz.	Striped fine	4 Corge
	Midling	2
	ordinary	6
	clouded fine	2
Handkerchiefs	Pulicat fine	2
	Midling	2
	ordinary	4
Long Cloth	Ordinary white	30
Salempores	Midling white	20
Dº.	Miding Blue	20
Long Cloth fine white	@ 8 Ps. pr. ps.	10 Ps.
	@ 10 ps. pr. Ps.	10 Ps.
	at 12 Ps.	20 Ps.
Long Cloth	Midling white	60

FORT MARLBRO
PRº. MAY 1765

ROGER CARTER.
RICHD. WYATT.
JOSH. DARVALLE.
ROBT. HAY.
ROBERT NAIRNE.
JOHN HERBERT.
HEW STEUART.

ORDERED to be complied with in Consultation.

30th. MAY 1765.

WM. ALDERSEY
Sectv.

Nº. 109.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I beg leave to acquaint you, that I a long a Time since Addressed the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam requesting to be favored with an Account of the Upparah Merchants Ballances, that I might make the transfer pursuant to your Honor &cas. Commands, and I have hitherto waited in hopes of an Answer, not doubting but your Honor &cas. Letter to them on this Subject would have induced them to a Compliance with the orders you had been pleased to send them, It is with a painfull Concern I am obliged to acquaint you it has not had that Effect but that the Gentlemen have been delaying Time for no other purpose but to consider Ways and Means to avoid putting into Execution the orders they have received at last I am favored with a Letter from them Copy of which waits on your Honor &ca. enclosed. I humbly beg leave to observe that what these Gentlemen have advanced is without any

Foundation for it is well known that Cota Chumbadoo & Deum Balliahs Families are so far from being numerous, especially the latters that both these Merchants have always acted in Partnership and under one head of Cota Chumbadoo and Deum Balliah in the Companys Books, brought in both together the proportion of only one of the other Merchants, and I understand by their Letter they intend to join in partnership Cota Chumbadoo Son and Deum Balliahs Brother in Law, he having only one son who is sick, had the Gentlemen proposed this Expedient, by all the Upparah Merchants whose Families are all at least as numerous, as those they have mentioned it would have given Room for a Belief that it was for the Advantage of the Investment in General, but instead of which they have only acted in this Manner, by Cota Chumbadoo and Deum Balliah because I have already entered into Contract with them, and made them some Advances, and without this Expedient they thought they must be under the necessity of making a transfer of their Ballances, had I not entered into Contract with these two people, who were represented as the most averse of any to contract with me, and rather than which would leave their Habitations and dwell in the Rajahs Country it is evident the Gentlemen would have endeavored to contract with all the Upparah Merchants, and would have given for their Reasons for employing them that they were unwilling to enter into Contract at Ingeram, it must be considered as the Case now is, that at present I employ only two Upparah Merchants, namely Lackum Chittee Pattisum, and Cota Chumbadoo & deum Balliah the Contract of the two last being only equal to Pattisums, and that therefore I cannot help dissenting entirely from the Opinion that the divid^{s}. of Families can in any shape be for the good of the Investment in General, on the Contrary it appears to me that in that Case both Divisions will thereby be rendered incapabable [*sic*] of fulfilling their their [*sic*] Agreements, and if they have already acted a double part it is giving them I think too much Room to do so in future, as their Families are now, Cota Chumbaddo has been only able to contract for one hundred, and Deum Balliah for sixty Bales of which none is yet come in, they waiting I am apprehensive to see which Way Matters may terminate and whose orders they are really to follow, it is my Duty to acquaint your Honor &c^{a}. that they are really incapable of trading to both places.

As there is a small Factory House at Upparah at present occupied by some Vizagapatam Servants as Peons &c^{a}. and which would be of service in the Business of the Investment, I request your Honor &c^{a}. will be pleased to give Directions to have it deliverd to me, for the above purpose.

The Disturbances in these parts have been some hind^{e}. to the Investment, which being happily subsided, I have y^{e}. Honor to acquaint you that the Callicoes now come in as fast as can be expected, & that therefore by the End of this Month I shall be entirely out of Cash, I therefore humbly request a further Supply.

At foot hereof is an Account Cloth on Hand. I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

INGERAM
21st. MAY 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble & most obedient Servant
GEORGE DOLBEN.

ACCOUNT OF CLOTH ON HAND.
AT THE WASH.

Long Cloth Ordy	.. ..	2140
Ditto Midling	.. ..	1315
Ditto Fine	.. ..	482
	Pieces ..	3937

To Mr. George Dolben
Resident at Ingeram.

Sir

The Honble the Governor and Council of Fort St. George have acquainted us that they had sent you Copies of the Letters We had wrote them regarding the Upparah Merchants, and they have also sent us a Copy of your Letter in answer to them by which We observe those Merchants have acted a double part by telling you one Thing, and writing us the contrary and the only Reason We can find for their acting in this Manner is their Families being very numerous, their Intentions were to divide them that two of them Cota Shambidos Son, Bussavapah & Deam Ballys Brother in Law Muttoo should come and live here, and furnish us with Cloth within our Bounds, and the rest of the Families should remain at Upparah, and provide you with Cloth at Ingeram, and We hear you have advanced them Money for that Purpose, as this will be for the Advantage of the Investment in general, We last Night wrote the Governor and Council we should comply therewith notwithstanding the Upparah Merchants Behaviour to us on this occasion has been very vexatious We also acquainted the Governor & Councill that We shall write you the same by which We hoped this Affair would be settled, we therefore desire you will acquiesce accordingly therein, as We don't see it can be of any Detriment to your Investment.

We are
Sir
Your most obedient humble Servts.

John Smith.
William Barker.

Vizagapatam
13th. May 1765.

No. 110.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Kent has safely imported with us, and We have received by her your Letters of the 20th. Ultimo, to which we shall hereafter reply, the Purpose of this being only to advise you of Lord Clive's Arrival, and that he has taken upon him the Government of this Presidency, agreably to the Companys Appointment; and further to accompany an Extract from their last General Letter which We transmit for your Information, as the Committee therein mentioned will be immediately formed.

Duplicate of our two last Letters now wait on you and We remain with Esteem.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient humble Servants

Clive.
Wm. B. Sumner.
Cs. Playdell.
John Johnstone.
Ralph Leycester.
J. Burdett.
George Gray.
Fras. Sykes.

Fort William
6th. May 1765.

No. 111.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.

President & Governor &ca. Council

of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Rajah of Muglatore having sent me his Proposals for renting the Countries he holds of the Companys in Consequence of the late Advertisement, they now come under Cover, His Character, situation and Circumstances are so well known that I need say nothing of them here.

You will likewise be pleased to receive the Proposals, which have been sent me from Bandarmalanka, Moosla Contee Vencataramdoo, the person they came from rented the Island in 62 & 63 and is a person of fair Character.

Mr. Whitehill having some particular Business to transact at Madras, which requires his presence, has desired of me to request your permission to proceed thither.

There is a Ballance due at Bandarmalanka from Conkesha Narsoe one of the late Merchants of Ps. 669—27—37 which Mr. Whitehill acquaints me he is afraid he shall not be able to recover. He is not employed in the provision of this Years Investt. and I have given Mr. Whitehill particular Directions to make use of every Means in his Power to secure the Payment of his Debt to the Company. I am very respectfully

Masulipatam
31st. May 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your very obedient and most humo. Servt.
John Pybus.

No. 112.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.

President & Governor &ca. Council

of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have had the Honor to receive your Commands, pr. Brittannia with Eighteen washing Stones, and I have also received the twelve from Bandarmalanka.

I shall be carefull to observe your Honor &cas. Orders in being upon my Guard as much as in my power, when I apprehend any Troubles, We indeed suffer many Inconveniencies from our inland Situation, and to embark any Goods from Nellapillee is always a work of Time, Doneys not being always procurable and the Distance from the Bar ten or twelve Miles, add to which the Doneys cannot go down Nellapillee Creek, but at spring Tides wherefore it would be very convenient to have a warehouse on the Island of Ellicatippah, which is near the Bar, where the Bales might be transported as the Cloth is cured which would then be in Readiness for embarking at a short Warning, the Bales being likewise very liable to be damaged from the Rains in their long passage, down the River in the Month of August, it sometimes happening that they are five or six Days before they get on board.

I beg leave to enclose your Honor &c^{a}. a Letter I have received from M^{r}. Stonhouse requesting the Allowance of a pallanq^{e}. on account of the Distance he is obliged to walk to the sorting Godown as well as the washing Godowns being at Nellapillee where all the Cloth is cured, I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

INGERAM
28TH. MAY 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble & most obedient Servant
GEORGE DOLBEN.

N^{o}. 113.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have been favored with your Address of the 30th. Ultimo and beg Leave to observe to your Honor &c^{a}. that had the Advances been made to our Merchants sooner, it would not in the least have forwarded our Investment, the General Consternation & Alarm of the Country from the Apprehensions of Nizam Allys Approach was then so great, that the Weavers could not be prevailed upon to follow their occupation, being wholly taken up in securing themselves and Effects, however your Honor &c^{a}. may depend no Endeavors of ours shall be wanting to make our Merchants exert themseves.

The Advertisement you enclosed us has been published and fixed up at several Places in the settlement and we shall spare no pains in detecting such base Coin, and the utterers of it.

We have the Honor to be with great Respect

CUDDU^{E}. 7 JU^{E}. 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obed^{t}. humb^{e}. Servants
T. L. SMITH.
JOHN CALLAND.
FRANCIS JOURDAN.

LIST OF CLOTH ON HAND.

Bales at Washers	..	..	..	..	..	46
D^{o}. at Beaters	..	..	..	..	..	5½
D^{o}. at Dyers	..	..	..	..	..	94
				Bales	..	145½

N^{o}. 114.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have received your Honor &c^{a}. Favor of the 30th. May accompanying a Representation from the Nabobs Renter of the Chellumbrum Country.

We cannot help thinking he must have been misinformed, for if the whole Grain that has been imported here for some Time past had not paid Juncan it would not have amounted to half the sum he mentions however We have order'd Enquiry to be made into it, and also acquainted the said Renter that if he can point out any Chitties &c^{a}. that have refused payment of the proper Duties We will oblige them to make it good. We have the Honor to be with much Respect.

CUDDALORE
7TH. JUNE 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient humble Servants

T. L. SMITH.
JOHN CALLAND.
FRANCIS JOURDAN.

N^{o}. 115.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have been lately favored with your Honors &c^{a}. Letters of 30th. April and 14th. Instant, and agreable to your Orders we herewith enclose you, your Account Current with this Settlement to 30th. April last, as well as the other Accounts for that Month, We take the Liberty again to remind you for a farther supply of Cash as you will observe by the Ballance of last Months Account we shall be soon in want of it.

As to the Merchants the Dutch again make Application for, We are to acquaint you, the first of them Moepody Chitty Jagaya by their own Account went and settled at Pondamarka, but since the Family is removed to Wattarra in our Bounds this Mans Father owes the Casimcotah Tawsdar Rupees 30,000 besides We hear he owes our Rajah Chitteram Rauze a great Deal of Money that if we should deliver him up to the Dutch We should certainly disoblige them, which may be attended with bad Consequences this Man is now as much in the Country or about Pondamarka as he is in our Bounds, where they might take him if they thought proper, but we imagine they would rather that we should quarrel with the Rajah than they, as to Tammina Jagoenaykeloe, he lives here but often travels about the Country where they might likewise lay hold of him if they pleased, he was as We are informed at Bimblepatam 11th. April 1764 and staid there four Days, and in that Time they never made any Attempt to molest him, or did they say anything to him about the Debt they now mention although he was then in Company with many of the Dutch Companys Black servants, neither of these persons can be of any Detriment to our Investment, as they are no ways concerned in it, nevertheless We apprehend you will rather give us orders, to make them quit our Bounds than to deliver them up to the Dutch, and We shall be attending your Directions accordingly.

As to Nalamala Narsimcole We know nothing about him, and as they say he fled to Visenegaram they ought to apply there for him.

We observe you had appointed M^{r}. Rain a Surgeon, and we shall pay him agreable to your Honors &c^{a}. Directions.

Lieutenant Cartledge has applied to us for Pag^{s}. 5 p^{r}. Month House Rent We therefore desire you will please to acquaint us if We are to pay it.

We have had a great deal of farther talk with our Merchants regarding the price of Salampores and they really assure us they cannot deliver those of 13½ Punjums of 32 Coyˢ. long and two Coyˢ. 5 Inches broad for less than Madras Pagodas 14½ pʳ. Corge and those of 14½ Punjums of the same Length and Breadth not under 16 Madras Pagodas pʳ. Corge, and that is the utmost we can bring them to, finer Sorts they cant make, but at an Exorbitant Price. We shall therefore wait your Honors &cᵃ. orders what Quantity you will please to have of each sort.

We are with the greatest Respect

VIZAGAPATAM
30TH. MAY 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedᵗ. and most humᵉ. Servᵗ.
JOHN SMITH.
WM. BARKER.

CLOTH ON HAND.

AT THE WASH			
L.C.O.	Cº. 212		
L.C M.	96		
L.C E.	55·10		
		363	10
IN THE WAREHOUSE.			
L.C.O W.	58·7		
L C.M.W.	48 12		
L.C.E.W.	18·14		
		125	13
Corge		489	3

Nº. 116.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQᴿ.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &Cᴬ. COUNCIL
OF FORT Sᵀ. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have the Honor to transmit you the Accounts of this place for last Month and I request your Honor &cᵃ. will be pleased to send a Supply of Cash, for the service of the Investment.

I have the Honor to be with greatest Respect

INGERAM
2ᴰ. JUNE 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble and most obedient servant
GEORGE DOLBEN.

Nº. 117.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQᴿ.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &Cᴬ. COUNCIL
OF FORT Sᵀ. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have received your Commands of the 28th. Ultimo advising that you have been pleased to accept the proposals of Condraigulloo Jugoo Puntaloo, and

Mooslacontee Caumaujee Puntaloo for renting the several Farms therein mentioned for five years, who have accordingly taken upon them the Management of them, and you may be assured it shall be my particular Care to attend to their Conduct and I have no Reason to doubt but they will give satisfaction in the Charge they are entrusted with, and do their best Endeavors for the Improvement of the Lands that they may be found to have deserved, the Confidence you have been pleased to repose in them for which they beg leave to return you their most respectfull Thanks.

Inclosed I have the Honor to transmit you the Accounts of this settlement for April which should have waited on you sooner but Indisposition prevented it. You will likewise be pleased to receive in obedience to your orders an Account Current, with your presidency ending the 30th. of last Month. I am very respectfully

MASULIPATAM
11TH. JUNE 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your very Obedient and most humble Servant
JOHN PYBUS.

No. 118.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR OF THE COAST OF CHOROMANDELL &CA. &CA. &CA.
AND GENTLEMEN OF THE SUPERIOR COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have in due time been honored with your Favor of the 13th. Ultimo, and agreable to your Orders, I now send inclosed the Accounts of silver purchased, the Account of Tin, with an Account Current of Money received, and disbursed, and the Remainder sent to John Lewin Smith Esqr. Chief at Cuddalore I have also forwarded to the said Gentlemen the last silver I had remaining in two Bags Dollars 1207 half Dollars 206 different pieces of silver Coin 314, weighing 159¼ whole Dollars, the whole is 1469¼ Dollars. I hope your Honor &ca. will find the Accounts Right and Honor with your Approbation, I have the Honour to be with the greatest Respect

TRANQUEBAR
6TH. JUNE 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedt. and very oblgg. humbe. Servant
CHRISTIAN BROUWER.

No. 119.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have been favored with your Letter of the 14th. Instant and have now the Honor of transmitting you the Covenants executed which were enclosed therein.

We have received a petition from Mahomed Asharaff one of the Companys Merchants, representing that a House belonging to him at Cuddalore, has been made use of as a Magazine, since the Reestablishment of this settlement

which he now requests to have returned, and an Allowance made him for the Time it has been taken up by the Company which We take the Liberty of referring to your Honor &c^{a}.

M^{r}. Brower of Tranquebar has remitted in Pagodas two thousand one hundred and fifty four, twenty six fanams forty Cash 2,154–26–40 (being a Ballance of the Honble Comp^{s}. Cash, which remained in his Hands).

As the Musters of Succatoons & Salempores Blue are not yet come to hand, We beg leave to remind your Honor &c^{a}. of them.

Our Cash Account and other Monthly papers, wait on you herewith and are with much Respect,

CUDDALORE
22^{D}. JUNE 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obed^{t}. Humb^{e}. Serv^{ts}.
T. L. SMITH.
J. CALLAND.
F^{s}. JOURDAN.

LIST OF CLOTH ON HAND.

	Bales.
At the Washers	83
Beaters	5½
Dyers	134
	222½ Bales.

N^{o}. 120.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

In our last under Date the 6th. Instant of which a Duplicate is herewith enclosed, We acknowledge the Receipt of yours of the 20th. Ultimo We have since received your Letter of the 7th. Instant and are now to reply to them both.

The Gunpowder landed by you from the Kent was consign'd to Bombay and not to us, and amounts p^{r}. Invoice to £343–10–1 for which sum you will please accordingly to credit that Presidency.

We learn from the Commander of the ship, that the Cases of Tinplates you also purposed detaining could not be got at before she left you.

The Amount of the Dollars which you purchased of M^{r}. Sumner for the Assistance of the China Trade has turned out in our Mint Arcot Rupees (99437. 2. 9) for which we have therefore debited you, and in order to assist

still further this Branch of the Companys Business, from the Representation in your last Letter, We shall duely Honor any Drafts you may make on us to the Amount of four Lacks of Rupees, We are with Esteem,

Fort William
28th. May 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient humble Servants

Clive.
Wm. B. Sumner.
C. S. Playdell.
Fras. Sykes.
Ralph Leycester.
George Gray.

No. 121.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Our last bore Date the 7th. April since when We have received your Favors of the 7th. and 20th. February 20th. March and 11th. and 12th. April, to which We shall now reply.

2. It affords us much satisfaction to find the Kent was arrived at your place, and that the several transport ships for Bengal were all heard of.

3. On the first Instant We received a Packet from our Honble Masters, via Bassorah, and now enclose an Extract therefrom for your Notice, by which you will please to perceive We shall have four ships to return Home, exclusive of the Kent which may be expected from Bengal.

4. On the 26th. April we dispatched the London to fill up upon the Coast for Europe and the Calcutta left this Place ye. 15th. Ultimo with a full Loading.

5. We are concerned to find our Letter of the 27th. Decemr. fell into the Hands of the Morattoes, though we do not apprehend any bad Consequences can ensue from it, as they are no Strangers to the Assistance We have offer'd Heyder Ally Cawn, nor to our Motives for it. Our President has lately received Letters from both those powers, acquainting him of their having concluded a Peace, on Terms however very disadvantagious to the latter.

6. Our Honble Masters having thought proper in their Commands, pr. Lapwing to abolish the select Committees at their several Presidencys We shall not in future address you as a distinct Department.

7. These Vessels are for the service of Bengal River but are ordered to touch at your place purposely to land our Packets for your Honor &ca. when the Commanders are ordered to proceed to Bengall.

Bombay Castle
9th. June 1765.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient Servants

Chas. Crommelin.
Wm. Hornby.
Chas. Waters.
Samuel Court.
R. H. Boddam.

N°. 122

To the Honble Robert Palk Esq^r^.
President and Governor &c^a^. Council
of Fort S^t^. George.

Gentlemen

1. The London Packet having received all necessary Repairs at this Port, and being provided with Stores sufficient for her Voyage We now dispatch her to Sooloo and send in her the two Mallays that came in the Worcester from Madras, Captain Alves has our Orders on his Arrival there to take on board y^e^. Military Stores he had left, when he was appointed for Canton and in case the Admiral Pocock should not have returned to that Place he is to receive on board the London, as many of the Troops that were left at Sooloo as he possibly can, and then to proceed without Delay to Fort S^t^. George.

2. We have reimbursed Capt^n^. Alves for the Charges of y^e^. London Packet, at this Port, Ta^s^. 3050. 426 Bills of particulars deliverd to us by him come enclosed, The Measurage and present of this Ship amount to Ta^s^. 2313. 291.

3. In the accompanying account of proffit and Loss on the Goods sent this Year from Madras, it is to be observed that the Loss on Putchuck, Wax & Cotton is owing to short Delivery and had the turn'd out Weight, the Loss would not have been more than 780 Tales, These Deficiencies may be partly owing to Theft on board the Ships at Whampo and in the Boats coming up to Canton, but you will see by the Account of Deficiencies enclosed that the Number of pieces of Tin delivered short by Pitt Lord Hollond, an Worcester will not account for the Loss of Weight by 22500 the Northumberland delivered her whole Quantity in Tale yet was deficient in Weight 960 This we shoul imagine must arise from the Difference of weighing between Madras and Canton.

4. As the Bill of lading for the Lord Hollonds Goods from Madras has been omitted in the Packets sent here We beg the Favor that it may be forwarded to England, We shall give Captain Nairn a Receipt for what We have received and send home the Deficiencies, with a Duplicate of the Copy of his Bill of Lading which was given to him at Madras.

5. M^r^. Dalrymple requesting us to permit him to take his Passage, on the Latham, as many Circumstances require his Return to England, we have consented to his going on that ship, He informs us he has wrote fully to Madras concerning the situation of Affairs at Sooloo.

6. We have not yet sold the Gold not being able to settle the fineness with the Merchants, who pretend it is not more than 77 touch, in future if Gold is sent here from your presidency we beg the Favor that you will cause all the Alloy to be taken out, as there then can be no Room for Disputes, The Princess of Augusta arrived here the 12^th^. of last Month from Bencoolen, by the Eastern passage, as the ship was very leeky, Captain Baddison when at Batavia petitioned the Council to let him take out the Cargoe, and have her Bottom Examined, but the Dutch refused to give him any Assistance, he left that place the Eleventh of November with the ship in a very bad Condition, making nearly a Foot of Water an hour all the Passage from thence to Canton, she is to be careen'd here, which we hope will not be attended with any Loss of Time but that we shall be able to dispatch Capt^n^. Baddison about the 10^th^. of March.

7. By the Green Teas being cheaper than was at first expected we shall when the Gold is sold have nearly if not quite to load the Princess Augusta. The state of our Affairs when she is dispatched will be no Money in the Treasury nor any Goods on hand, with Debts contracted at Canton and Macao on bond at 10, 12 but chiefly at 13 p^r^. Cent p^r^. annum to the Amount of Tales 118,498,

Enclosed is an Account of all the Bills we have drawn on you Gentlemen being for Tales 47,854 which we hope will not be attended with any inconvenience, We have received Tales 49,591 for Bills on the Court of Directors at 90 Days Sight.

We have acquainted you in our Letter of the 8th. of November, that we had received the 5000 Pagodas lent by your Presidency to Shamier Sultan at Respondentia We have since received the Amount of Mr. Anthony Sadliers and Messs. Claud Russels and Anthony Ross Respondentia Bonds.

The Lord Hollond and Worcester will sail for England in three or four Days, and the Earl of Lincoln in about a fortnight.

We are
Gentlemen
Your most obedt. humes. Servts.

Thos. Fitzhugh.
Samuel Blount.
Nathal. Garland.
Wm. Mackenzie.
Stephn. Devisme.
Thos. Smith.
Mann Horner.
Wm. Rous.

Canton
Febry. 5th. 1765.

ACCOUNT OF PROFFIT AND LOSS ON GOODS SENT FROM MADRAS P^{R}. PITT NORTHUMBERLAND LORD HOLLOND WORCESTER & EARL OF LINCOLN.

D^{R}.			C^{R}.	
To Tin p^{r}. Pitt Northumberland L^{d}. Holl^{d}. & Worcester	Ta^{s}.	3412·322	By pepper p^{r}. Northumberland L^{d}. Hollond & Worcester.	Ta^{s}. 434·779
To Putchuck p^{r}. Northumberland		768·326	By Sandal Wood p^{r}. Northumberland	3998·244
To Wax D^{o}. D^{o}.		6·249	By Red Wood p^{r}. L^{d}. Holland Worcester & Earl Lincoln.	3623·161
To Cotton p^{r}. Northumberland L^{d}. Holl^{d}. & Worcester.		51·604	By Olibanum p^{r}. L^{d}. Holland & Worcester ..	131·184
To Elephants Teeth p^{r}. Northumberland & Worcester.		1271·709		
To Camphire p^{r}. Northumberland		566·690		
		6316·910		
To Ballance for Gain		1870·458		
		8187·368		8187·368

CANTON MARCH 3^{d}. 1765.

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

THO^{S}. FITCZHUGH
SAM^{L}. BLUNT.
NATH^{L}. GARLAND.
W^{M}. MACKENZIE.
STEPH^{N}. DEVISME.
THO^{S}. SMITH.
MANN HORNER.
W^{M}. ROUS.

WEIGHT of Cotton consigned from Madras to Canton. 1764.

WEIGHT ℔ INVOICE ℔ NORTHUMBERLAND			WEIGHT AT CANTON ℔ NORTHUMBERLAND		
	LBS.			LBS.	
COTTON 480 Bas. Gr. Wt.	201,480		COTTON 480 Bas. Gr. Wt.	207326	
LB.					
Tare 26 Each	12,480	L.B.	Tare	20904	L.B.
		189000			186422
P.R. LORD HOLLOND			℔ LORD HOLLOND		
COTTON 230 Bas. Gr. Wt.	93,302		COTTON 230 Bas. Gr. Wt.	88607	
Tare 26 Each	5,980		Tare	8688	
		87322			79919
P.R. WORCESTER			P.R. WORCESTER		
Bas.					
COTTON 180 Gr. Wt.	75,873		COTTON 180 Bas. Gr. Wt.	75113	
Tare 26 each	4,680		Tare	6780	
		71193			68333
NETT lb.		347515	NETT lb.		334674

N.B.—The Tare of the Cotton ℔ Northumbd. was settled at 43 lb. ℔ Bale but some that appeared like ½ Bales taring 27 lb. an Allowance was made in Favor of the Merchant.

The Tare of the Ld. Holland & Worcester was settled at 38 lb. ℔ Bale but some of them coming up without Cords, proper Deductions were made on that Account

AN ACCOUNT of Bills drawn on the Presidency of Madras by the Supra Cargoes of Council at CANTON 1764 & 1765 at 21 Days Sight EXCHANGE 10 pagodas for 14 new Spanish Dollars.

By whom paid into Cash.	To whom made payable.	Dates.	Rupees.	Rupees.	Tales.	mee.
MESSRS. MACKENZIE & DEVISME from MANILHA—N.B. These Bills were drawn 15 DOLLS. for 10 PAGS. and Rupee for Rupee.	JOANNES SINAN	October 10th. ..	20,000 Dollars	20,000 — — Pagodas	6,537	107
	SHAMIER SULTAN	October 10th. ..	10,500	7,000 — —	7,560	400
	GREGORY MICHAEL	October 10th. ..	9,150	6,100 — —	6,587	970
LEWIS CARVALHO ESQR.	LEWIS CARVALHO ESQR. ..	Novr. 7th. ..	9,000	6,428 20 46	6,480	080
JACOB PATON	GREGORY MICHAEL	Novr. 15th. ..	4,480	3,200 — —	3,225	960
PETER SORNAY ESQR.	JOHN PASCAL ESQR.	No. 22	8,400	6,000 — —	6,048	386
ENAS NARCISSE	NAZAN COJEMAT	No. 22	2,100	1,500 — —	1,510	930
ARTEEN JACOB	SHAMIER SULTAN	No. 22	8,000	5,714 10 23	5,757	330
MR. SAML. BLOUNT	MESSRS. PALK MORSE & HOLLOND.	Decr. 18	1,000	714 10 23	719	980
		1765				
JACOB PATON	GREGORY MICHAEL	Jany. 5	2,660	1,900 — —	1,915	430
ARTEEN JACOB	ARTEEN JACOB	Jany. 8	2,100	1,500 — —	1,511	160

STEPN. DEVISME.
THOS. SMITH.
MANN HORNER.
WM. ROUS.
THOS. FITCZHUGH
SAMUEL BLOUNT.
NATHL. GARLAND.
WM. MACKENZIE.

DEFICIENCES ℔ PITT, NORTHUMBERLAND L^{D}. HOLLOND & WORCESTER CANTON 1764.

℔ PITT.

	lb.
Tin 4 Pieces deficient—Deficient in Weight	1300

℔ NORTHUMBERLAND.

Tin deficient in Weight	960
Pepper D°. D°.	5110
Sand Wood D°. D°.	2210
Wax D°. D°.	160
Putchuck D°. D°.	2012
Cotton D°. D°.	2578

℔ LORD HOLLOND.

TIN { 500 Ton Pieces .. .. / 143 Slabs .. .. } deficient—deficient in W^{t}.	24632
Pepper deficient in Weight	6146
Cotton D°. D°.	7403

℔ WORCESTER.

Tin 8 Pieces deficient—Deficient in Weight	2851
Grain Tin Deficient in Weight	207
Pepper D°. D°.	9885
Elephants Teeth D°. D°.	14
Cotton D°. D°.	2860

Account of sales of sundry Sooloo goods received by the London packet.

					Tales.	m.	c.	c.
Sago	1277 Rag^{s}. at 1 D^{r}. ℔ Ra^{ga}. Sp. Drs. ..	1277	—	—				
Teepy	Pec 200 32 Cat^{ty}. at 5 Drs. P^{R}. p^{l}. ..	1002	2	17				
Lacka Wood	84875 D°. at 5 D^{s}. p^{r}. do.	203	3	—				
Agal Agal	2 20 d°. ..	11	—	—				
	Sp. D. ..	2494	1	17				
m. c. c.								
at 7 1 9½	being the Average Weight of Doll^{rs}.				1794	7	5	5
To Charges on Merchandize for unloading					27	2	—	—
					1821	9	5	5

					Tales.	m.	c.	c.
Pear Shells w^{t}. Nett Pec.	194	64 at 4	2 ℔ p^{e}.		817	4	8	8
Sago	395	81 2	2 ℔ D°.		870	7	8	4
Sea Weed	1	81 1	p^{r}. D°.		1	—	8	1
Lacka Wood	28	26 1	℔ D°.		28	—	2	6
Proffit and Loss ..	..	.. ..	..		103	6	1	3
					1821	9	5	5

Errors Excepted
Canton 5th. Feb^{ry}. 1765.

Tho^{s}. Fitzhugh.
Sam^{l}. Blount.
Nath^{l}. Garland.
Wm. Mackenzie.
Steph. Devisme.
Tho^{s}. Smith.
Mann Horner.
Wm. Rous.

N°. 123.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esq^r^.
President and Governor &c^a^. Council
of Fort S^t^. George

Gentlemen

Our last Address to you was by the London Packet. Duplicate of which and other Papers by that Ship come enclosed.

Since her Departure the Plassey Schooner arrived from Bengal, with Advices from the Governor and Council of that Presidency that they had resolved to send to this place ten Lack of Rupees, on one or more ships, early enough to be here in February so that we may now expect that supply every Day.

We have been offered 125 Tales, for 10 Tale weight of Gold of 84 Touch which is the Average Fineness of ours accord^g^. to the Invoice; but the Refiners here declare it to be lower by six and seven Touch, the following Barrs have been essayed by two people and we have taken the highest of their Essays N°. 1 Essay at Canton 75. Essay at Madras 81.1/4 N°. 24 dec^ts^. 77, 89, 85½. We shall still endeavor to find out other Methods of proving the Gold, but are under the Necessity of selling it before the Princess Augusta goes to pay the Ballances due to the Merchants; our supplies this year have just enabled us to load all the ships of the season so that on the Departure of the Princess Augusta, which will be about the 15^th^. of this Month our Debt will remain 118498 Tales as mentioned in our last.

The Duke of Richmond, Duke of Gloucester and Earl of Elgin have lost their Passage to China the two former are at Batavia, the latter fell to Leeward of Fort Marlborough and was not arrived at Batavia the latter End of December.

It is very probable, that We shall have fourteen ships to load next season, reckoning two from Bengal, one from Bombay, Eigh[*sic*] from England, and the three ships that have lost their Passage To load these will require a stock of 1400,000 Tales.

We are

Canton
3^d^. March 1765.

Gentlemen
Your most obedient Humb^e^. Servant,

Tho^s^. Fitzhugh.
Sam^l^. Blount.
Nath^l^. Garland.
W^m^. Mackenzie.
Steph^n^. Devesme.
Tho^s^. Smith.
Mann Horner.
W^m^. Rous.

P.S.—We have sent two Pieces of Gold cutt from Bar N°. 1 & N°. 24 in order to have them Essayed again least there should have been any Mistake as the Difference between the Essays here and Madras, are so great.

On revising our Accounts since writing the above we find there will be 55000, Tales, remaining in our Treasury when all the ships Cargoes of the Season are paid for, if the Gold sells for 40,000 Tales.

No. 124.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Sirs

Mr. Lebeuf Ensign in the service of the Honble Company having been first detained at Manilha a prisoner of War, and afterwards by a severe Sickness until the sailing of the Vessel under the Command of Don Gaspar which arrived here a few Days ago, and being now necessitated for a small Trifle of Money to defray his necessary Expences, and to pay his passage to Negapatm. for which he sails in two or three Days, in his Way to Fort St. George, as I make no Doubt of its being agreable to you, I have therefore advanced him Rix Dollars sixty two and a half for his Draught on your Honor &ca. and which I have to beg the Favor of you to pay to Andrew Ross Esqr. or order, by whom Mr. Lebeuf's Bill & Letter will be presented, I have at present no News worth communicatg.

I am with due Respect
Batavia Honble Sir & Sirs
21st. May 1765. Your most obedient humble Servant
James Burnet.

No. 125.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Sirs

On the other side is Duplicate of what I had the Honor to write you of the 21st. Instant and this serves only inclose Copy of a Letter from Mr. George Mildrum commander of the Honble Compys. Schooner Plassey setting forth her being in Distress for want of a Foremast and Top Mast wherewith I have furnished him as for the within [*sic*] Receipt amounting to Rix Dolls. 156 for which sum I this Day drew on your Honor &ca. in star Pagodas 78 payable at sight to Andrew Ross Esqr. or order which I doubt not you will please to Honor. I am with Respect

Batavia Honble Sir & Sirs
23 May 1765. Your most obedient humb. Servant
James Burnett.

To James Burnet Esqr.

Sir

I having met with a Misfortune of having our Foretop Mast, and Foremast shivered with Lightning in such a Manner as they are rendered unserviceable, I shall be glad of your Assistance in procuring me other Masts as soon as possible, We being [*sic*] a packet from China, bound to Bengal on the English East India Companys Affairs, I am Sir

Schooner Plassey
Batavia May 8th. 1765.

Your most humble Servant, Signed,
George Mildrum.

No. 126.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.

President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have been honored with your Commands of the 4th. and 12th. Inst. and forwarded to the Secretary yesterday five setts of the Covenants whh. our Honble Masters have required to be executed signed in Duplicate to the Servants belonging to this settlement, those to be executed by the Military officers have been sent to Captain Hart at Rajamundry which shall be sent to you as soon as they are returned to me.

The Muglatoor Rajah has frequently represented to me the Losses he had sustained by the Depedrations [*sic*] committed by Sitteram Rauze in the Countries he rented belonging to the Company, and as I often recommended to him to address himself to your Honor &ca. on the subject as it was not in my power to afford him any satisfaction, This, I learn from your Commands he has now done in his Letter with his proposals for farming the Companys Lands, and I have made him acquainted with what you have been pleased to determine concerning that Matter.

Mr. Whitehill promises his utmost Care, and Attention towards the Recovery of the Debt outstanding from Coukesta Narsoe, but gives little Hopes of the success, he begs Leave to return his Thanks for the Permission you have been pleased to give him to proceed to Madras, which he purposes making use of by the Vessell, which will be dispatched with what Bales can be got ready by the Month of August, that they may be with you as early as possible to assist in compleating a Cargoe for the East of Middlesex, as you have been pleased to recommend.

I have given the Notice you have been pleased to direct to Mr. Smith at Vizagapatam and Mr. Lowe at Ganjam concerning the Tardiness of the Tappies, between those places that they may take Measures for the more speedy dispatch of Advices passing that Way.

Enclosed I have the Honor to transmit you the Accounts of this Settlement for last Month, and am very respectfully

Mazulipatam
26th. June 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient humble Servant
John Pybus.

No. 127.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.

President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your Favors of the 28 Ultimo and 4th. Instant We duely received, and agreable to your Directions We shall furnish our Garrison with the necessary Stores, that is wanting out of the Manilha Stores.

We have sent Mr. Lowe at Ganjam the Parapraph [*sic*] of your Letter regarding the price of Salampores there.

As we are now favor'd with your Ultimate Resolutions as to the Upparah Merchants, We have conformable thereto made over their Ballances to Mr. Dolben, and agreed with him, that he may trade as far North, as the Tonney

Country, which we take to be above thirty Miles of this side Upparah, and this We think is agreable to your Directions, that he is not to trade in the Tonney Country, so we hope we shall now have no further Misunderstandings, on this or any other Account, tho' the Loss of five of our best Merchants, We are afraid will not so easily be replaced, Your Honors &ca. may rest assured we shall use our utmost Endeavors to procure as large an Investment as we possibly can and as early.

We have given Mr. Dolben an order to receive the Factory House at Upparah.

We must desire you will please to acquaint us, what We are to pay Mr. Raine our Surgeon Monthly, as we can find no precedent here.

Our Cash is at present so low, that we cannot make the proper Advances to our Merchants, we are therefore in hopes of a speedy supply, or our Investment must suffer for want of it.

Inclosed We transmit you the last Months Accounts for this Settlement as als [*sic*] the ten Covenants executed as you was pleased to direct.

We have the honor to remain with the greatest Respect.

VIZAGAPATAM
23D JUNE 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient and most Humble Servants
JOHN SMITH.
WM. BARKER.

CLOTH ON HAND.

At the Wash.			
L.C.O.	242 11		
L.C.M.	112 8		
L.C.F.	62 18		
		417	17
In the Warehouse			
L.C.O.W.	16 17		
L.C.M.W.	69 9		
L.C.F.W.	28 —		
		108	6
Embaled Bas of L.C.O.W. 462	..	69	—
Corge ..		595	3

No. 128.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have received your Commands of the 4th. & 12th. Inst. and have the Honor to acquaint you that the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam have made over the Upparah Merchants Ballances amounting to Madras Pagodas one thousand three hundred and twenty two, twenty three Fanams, and thirty three Cash (1322-23-33) for which I have already credited account Current, Fort St. George, and have also received from them the small Factory House at that place, as the Merchants Ballances are but very small and indeed some of them now cleared, and as I am in great Want of Cash to advance ye. others I hope

Your Honor &c^{a}. will be pleased to send a supply as soon as possible, I compute there will be wanting to compleat this years Investment about forty five Thousand (45000) Madras Pagodas.

I beg leave to assure your Honor &ca. that I shall exert myself to the utmost in getting what Cloth I possibly can in Readiness for the Middlesex, that it shall be dispatched as early as the Winds will admit and that the utmost Frugality shall be used in Building the Godown, on the Island of Elicattipah,

The two Covenants signed by me and my Assistant and duely attested wait on your Honor &ca. enclosed. I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

INGERAM
26TH. JUNE 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble and most obed^{t}. Servant
GEORGE DOLBEN

N^{o}. 129.

TO THE RIGHT HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR OF FORT ST. GEORGE
ON THE COAST CHOROMANDEL &C^{A}. &C^{A}.
ON BEHALF THE RIGHT HONBLE ROYAL
ENGLISH EAST INDIA COMPANY
AND THE COUNCIL AT MADRAS.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have had the Honor to receive your Letter of the 18th. Instant, accompanyed with a copy of what the Chief and Council of Vizagapatam directed to you, We thank you friendly for that you have found our Demands concerning y^{e}. from Bimilipatnam, to Poenemarken, Vizagapatnam and Visianagaram fled Merch^{ts}. of the Company as just that upon these Fundaments and the Appearance, that they not concern your Investment, you have been pleased to grant their Returning to Bimilipatnam if required and to give them not the least protection in your Bounds, which could elude our just Demands, to which purpose you had already given the necessary orders, to your abovementioned Agents at Vizagapatnam, nevertheless can we not regard this as equivalent to an express order for delivering them up in our Hands and such single and alone, as We think upon pretensions that the Rajah Sittaramarassoe and the Casim Cotahs Tauusdar must have a great deal of Money since at present nothing more is mentioned about the heretofore, or by Letter of 17th. September last formed Pretence for Mr. Smith Chief of Vizagapatnam of 5100 Rup^{s}.

We assure you Gentlemen that We will give you proofs of our Equity in all Occasions and according to what the Matter will require, also that We are with a high Esteem,

NEGAPATAM
IN THE FORT 26 JUNE 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most faithfull and obed^{t}. Servants
P. HACKSTEEN
&C^{A}. COUNCIL AT
NEGAPATAM.

No. 130.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George

Honble Sirs

I sent inclosed some Accounts of the Companys Affairs at Sooloo, for your Honors Inspection so that you may be able to judge of the properest Methods to take for the Recovery of the Money all the Directions I received from Mr. Dalrymple for enquiring into, the Companys Affairs at Sooloo. I likewise have here sent encld. The large Pearl that Mr. Dalrymple mentioned in his Directions, I returned at Sooloo, as by the Inclosed Receipt and at the same Time enquired for the Pearl, that Dalo Allimodin had but found, that he had left Sooloo a few Days before I arrived there from China, I being obliged to keep my Bed on the Account of the Badness of my Heath [*sic*]: is the Reason that I have not wrote more fully. We have heard no Account of the Admiral Pocock since she left Sooloo the 28th. of Septr. last Bound for China. I beg leave to subscribe myself with due Respect

Ship London in
Bimblepatam Road 1st. July 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Humble and most
obedient Servt.
Walter Alves.

To Captain Walter Alves
of Ship London.

Sir

On your Return to Sooloo you will reembark ye. Troops and Stores, landed there and proceed with them to Madras.

I have desired that the Galley might be delivered to Sarapodin, which if not done when you return, if he is on the Spot you will do, you will inform Captn. Paina that he is to deliver to Sarapodin the Company's Champan and the three Bales Handkerchiefs you will also deliver to Sarapodin the remainder of the Iron and Nails, Com. Watsons Bill is enclosed for the above and the Bale left at Sarapodins no. whose receipt you will take for these things, and give him an Account of this Cost; if he should be at Balambanzan you will just call on your way to Madras and deliver the above to him or whoever is there on his Account.

A. Dalrymple.

Dated at Sooloo the 2d. October 1764.

P.S.—You will take under the Convoy the Champan which went with me to Balambanzan should he be desirous of going to Bencooln. or elsewhere.

To Captn. Alves.

Sir,

You will herewith receive Irraels Pearl which is valued at 500 Dollars, you will demand of him the Declaration and Receipt which he has signed by me, you will inform Duto Allimodin that I have never been offerd for his more than 1000 Dollars, for which Reason, I have carried it to England, represents to him the Benefit it would be to have the Fellow to it which would enhance the Value of it greatly so as both would be about 3000 Dollars which is by one third more than worth separate, if D. Savapodin be on the Spot you will apply to him on that Head in my Name and request him to use his

Indeavors to get Allimodin to send the other and some more so as to compleat the value of 6203 of Rials which may possibly still satisfy the Company, otherwise assure him all my Influence shall be used to make them insist on the last Farthing.

You will let Sarapodin know the Chinese do not like the Colour of this, and value it at most as worth 1500 dollars, this year is a bad year, I carry it to England, as I dare say it will be worth more than in China.

You will enquire whether in Case it should be wanted the Sooloos would pay any of their Debt in Timber.

In case of receiving the Pearl from Allimodin take ye. first opportunity of sending it home to the Company, You will receive four Beaureaus for the Sultan. I am, Sir:

CANTON — Your most obedient Humble Servant

1st. JANRY. 1765. — A. DALRYMPLE.

ACCOUNT of Sundrys belonging to the Honble Company left at Sooloo, by Alexr. Dalrymple Esqr. to be disposed of there by Dato Sarapodin to the best Advantage for Account the Honble Company. Sooloo 22d. March 1765.

Invoice of what is unsold in Dato Sarapodins possession.

				Cos.	Ps.			Sp. Dollrs.		
A Red Handkerchiefs	10 to a piece	2	4 a. 40	Sp. Dollrs. ℔ Corge ..				90	—	—
A	D°.	8 to	D°.	3	6 a. 55½	..	..	..	183	—	—
B	D°.	10 to	D°.	1	10 a. 43½	..	..	..	65¼	—	—
C	D°.	8 to	D°.	5	15 a. 48	..	..	..	276	—	—
D	D°.	8 to	D°.		2 a. 21	..	..	..	42	—	—
				Corge	14	11			656	¼	—

	Cattys.					
Iron 60 Bars ℔r.	1237	a.	12½ Sp. Dollars ℔ pecul ..		154	½	—
Nails of Sorts	398	a.	.. ..		108	¾	—
				Spa. Dollars	919	½	—

ACCOUNT SALES of the Honble Companys Handkerchiefs given to Dato Sarapodin by Trungua a Chinese who sold them before Date Saropodin arrived at Sooloo from Ralarabangan Vizt.

		Cos.	Ps.	Rps.				
of three different Sorts of Handkerchiefs viz.	RAB	2	19 a.	400	℔ Corge	1180	—	—
of	C—		10 a.	12	℔ piece	120	—	—
of	D	17	6 a.	54¾	℔ Corge	1476	6	—
of sorts		2	15 a.	11·1/8	℔ piece	650	—	—
Corge ..		23	10		Rupees	3426	6	—
		14	11					
		38	01					

	Cos.			
According to invoice should be	39	only accounted for deficient 19 ps. of the sum 5426–6 paid by Teungua to Serapodin as pr. his Reckoning ..	2100	— —
Remains due to the Honble Company by Teungua as pr. his Note payable on Demand, to Dato Sarapodin			1326	6 0
		Rupees ..	3426	6 0

DATO SARAPODIN has also under his care a Galley & Champan belongg. to the Honble Company as pr. his Receipt.

THESE ARE TO CERTIFY that Jo. WALTER ALVES Commander of the Honble Companys Ship London, have requested Sultan Mahomed Ally Modin as a Friend & Ally of the English Nation to use all his Interest with whatever Prince of the Island of Magindanao has in Possession a Schooner named the Squirrel belonging to the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies and her Crew, a list of whose Names I subjoin in order to get her restored to the Compy. and the Crew released to their Liberty, which if he can possiy. effect, that he will deliver the Vessel or any part thereof as also any of the Crew that he receives to Captn. John Desplan, In Witness, that I make the above Request in the Name of his sacred Majesty George the Third King of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, King Defender of the Faith and so forth, and in the Name of the Honble Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies I have hereunto subscribed my Name This 20th Day of March 1765.

The Names of the Crew are

WALTER ALVES.		LALL SERANG	
ABDALLA OAREEM MIGUEL NANAH GRUAH	Lascars.	LAIBOI CASSIM NARAN	Lascars.

No. 131.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

SIR

The following is Duplicate of my last, when I recommended Dato Jaffir, as the fittest Person to supply Saropodins place I forgot the intimate Friend of Sarapodins D'Annoo, a very discreet Man, whose Father was treacherously murdered at Barneoon an Embassy from Sooloo, the son has many Friends at Pappall and most of the Inhabitants of Balabao and many of Palawan are his Vassals he is equally distinguished for Intrepidity and meekness and tho from not being able to converse with him as well as the other I cannot form so good a judgment yet I imagine he would be a very proper person, for Sarapodin's Deputy or Successor, however he himself will be a better judge than I can, tho should he recommend his Brother in Law Allimodin, he ought by no Means to be accepted.

Before I left Sooloo I concluded a Treaty with the Sultan it is little different from the former except in some Explanations, he is only provisinional [*sic*] till the Company's pleasures be known and was only done to quiet some little the Company's pleasures be known and was only done to quiet some little jealousy which the Sultan had hinted.

It appears to me if a ship sails from Sooloo she should pass up as the Neptune did along the Coast of Mindanao Negros Pany, Mindoro & Leizon there is in general a strong Current setting to the Westward, and therefore they should keep in with the Land & on that Account pass to the Eastward of Roias where they have the Advantage of Tides & they must not be discouraged by a few Days contrary Winds or Calms, pass to ye. South of Mindanao, & stand over to the Eastd. in a low Latitude till they are far enough to weather the No. End of Leizon, making an Allowance for a strong Currt. setting to the Westd. this I conceive to be ye. worst Passage, but it is least known, I have a promise of some Charts of the Navigation which if obtained Captn. Clais will

give you Copies of —. I think the Royal Captn. Passage by ye. No. End of Mindanao an improper one, for altho' I look on all he says about the 13 & 14 Knot Tides as Nonsense, yet should the Winds come far northerly after a Man has got into the Latitude of 15 or 16 unless he is very far to the Eastwd. he will be unable to weather ye. No. E. End of Leizon & if so, I think one might be endanger'd of being delayd in that large Elbow which ye. E. Coast forms, since that Case be obliged to continue till the Change of ye. Monsoon, If a ship goes through this strait I would advise them pass through the Bocadera if not far enough to the Eastward when in that Latitude.

I shall Embark to-morrow for England in the Latham where I shall be prov'd of your Commands.

I am
SIR
Your most obedient Humble Servant
A. DALRYMPLE.

CANTON
16TH. JANUARY 1765.

No. 132.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have the Honor to transmit you the Accounts of this Place for last Month.

In my Letter to Your Honor &ca. of the 26th. past is an Error of twenty Madras Pagodas; in the Upparah Merchants Ballances the sum therein specified being 1322—23—33 which should have been 1342—23—33 for which sum I have duely credited Account Current Fort St. George, I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble and most obedient
Servant
GEORGE DOLBEN.

INGERAM
THE 6TH. JULY 1765.

No. 133.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We are to acknowledge the Favor of your Letters of the 25th. June and 4th. Instant.

On receipt of the Musters of succatoons and Salempores blue, they were shown to Botchy Chitty he having in the Month of March offered to contract for them, but the lowest prizes he would accept, were for the first 42¾ ℔ Corge and the latter 29 Pagodas, whereon we called before us in Consultation, the other Merchants who desired Time to enquire concerning the same and were directed to deliver in their Proposals, in Writing, accordingly yesterday they attended, but the only persons, who offered to provide any Goods, of these

species were Streeshalaputty and Papa Chitty in Company with Bootchy Chitty the former Streeshalaputty agreed to furnish the Honble Company with the Succatoons, at 42½ Pr. Corge and Salempores at 28¾ by the first of January 1766, which were the cheapest Terms offered, and the lowest for which We imagine they can be procured, however as this exceeds those mentioned to us by your Honor &ca. We were unwilling to come to a Determination until We should receive your further Instructions which We therefore beg Leave to request as our Honble Masters are desirous of having a few Corge of these kind of Goods to enable them to Judge whether they will answer in Europe, We hope you will approve of our having advanced, two hundred and fifty (250) Pagodas for the immediate Provision of a small quantity of each it may not be unnecessary here to observe that the Length of the blue Salempores are only 32 Covids whereas the brown before contracted for are to be 33.

The Muster of white Succatoons has not yet been sent to enable us to get any for the Ship, under Dispatch, We are to entreat the Favor of your immediately ordering it to be sent hither with the lowest Price you will permit us to give for them, and even then We cannot take upon us to assure you they will be ready in Time.

On Account of the Approach of the Middlesex Dispatch We have greatly pressed the Merchants, and from our Representation of the Necessity of their immediately delivering in Cloth they have promised to exert themselves, as much as possible the Bales on hand may be delivered early the next Month all that may be procured, after that Time shall be prepared with the greatest Expedition, We cannot promise any certain quantity but you may depend on our utmost Endeavors, on this as well as every other occasion.

Enquiry has been made and 2½ Pags. pr. Month is in Consequence judged a reasonable Rent for Mahomed Asharaffs, House as it was one of the largest in Cuddalore.

Mr. Baars the Dutch Resident claiming a priviledge of paying only 2½ ℘ Cent on all Goods belonging to or made for the Dutch Company as well as many other Rights, and as his being permitted to make up Cloth here may be detrimental to our Honble Masters Investmt. We beg leave to request your Honor &ca. will be pleased to signify to us how far the Rights of the Dutch Company or their Resident at Cuddalore may extend.

Mr. Hutteman having petitioned on occasion of the Death of the late Clerk who officiated under him without any Gratuity for an Allowance of 2½ Pagodas Pr. Month for another to be provided in his Room, to attend to the Burial of the Military We take the Liberty of enclosing it for your perusal

We have the Honor also to enclose the Monthly Papers of this Settlemt and to subscribe ourselves with the greatest Respect

CUDDALORE
18TH. JULY 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient humble Servants
T. L. SMITH.
JOHN CALLAND.
FRANCIS JOURDAN.

List of Cloth on Hand.

At Washers	41½
Beaters	61
Dyers	151
Embaled	4
Bales ..	257½

No. 134.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Under Cover you will be pleased to receive the several Covenants of the Officers that Rajahmundry executed in two Copies.

As I have not a sheet of paper of any Sort remaining I must request your Compliance with my Indent for Stationary (*sic*) transmitted some Time since.

I received a few Days ago a Letter from Mr. Whitehill representing the bad condition of the Factory House at Bandarmalanka, from which I beg leave to communicate the following Extract; since the Rains sett in part of the back Wall of the Factory House is fallen down, and this Morning a piece of the Wall over the back Door came down, and indeed I am very much afraid if We get any heavy rains the whole House will be down and as to repairing it is needless, for one part is no sooner done than another tumbles down, I shall be glad of your Directions concerning it as well as Permission to build a Cadjan House for the present. In consequence of this Representation which I make no Doubt is a very just one, as the Foundation has long since way [*sic*] in most parts I have given Mr. Whitehill Directions to build a temporary shed with Palmeiras and Cadjans if he thinks it unsafe to live in the Factory which there is great Reason to apprehend cannot stand much longer, as the Walls are of unburnt Bricks and laid in Mud with only a thin casing of Brick and Chunam, but I shall not set about any Repairs to it, as your Honor &ca. have given one Reason to expect Mr. Call here very soon who on a survey of it will be the best judge what ought to be done to it. I am very respectfully

Masulipatam
18th. July 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient and most humble Servant
John Pybus.

No. 135.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have had the Honor to receive your Commands of the 6th. Instant by the Plassey Schooner with twelve Thousand (12000) Madras Pagodas for the Service of the Investment here, the Schooner was detained as short a Time as possible and sailed last Night for Visagapatnam.

I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

Ingeram
the 17 July 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Humble and most obedient
Servant
George Dolben.

No. 136.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your Favors of the 22d. and 23d. have been duely received Mr. Dowset is arrived and Mr. Jourdan is preparing to set out for Madras, pursuant to your Orders.

We shall lose no Time in procuring the Succatoons and so soon as the Musters can be made they shall be sent to your Honor &ca.

It is not possible for us to determine the Rights the Dutch Company may We [*sic*] have here as we have not the original Cowle or Books of Fort St. David to refer to We however take the Liberty of forwarding to your Honor &ca. the Copy of their pretensions as set forth in a paper from Mr. Baars the Dutch Resident to the Chief, also Copy of a Letter from your presidency, and will only add as they take in Cloths of all Lengths their providing any here will greatly interfere with the Provision of our Honble Masters Investment.

As we have sometimes Occasion for the St. Davids Books We shall be obliged if you will be pleased to order them to be sent hither by a future Conveyance.

By several Advances made on Account of the Invest. our Cash since the closing of last Months accounts is nearly expended, We are therefore to request the Favor of an immediate Supply to pay the Merchants, for the Cloth as brought in.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obed. H'ble Servants

Cuddalore
27th. July 1765.

J. L. Smith.
John Calland.
Robert Dowsett.
Francis Jourdan.

List of Cloth on hand.

Bales 48½ at Washers—		
	14	Beaters.
	119	Dyers.
	129	Embaled.
Bals. ...	310½	

A brief extract from the Cowle Granted by the King of the Country of Gingy to The Dutch Company in the years 1654 & 1687 the original of which is in the Secretarys office at Negapatam.

Article 1st. That we may trade in the Country under the Dominions of Gingy in piece Goods, Indigo, Salt Petre, Grain, Slaves and in all things else that we find necessary without any Hindrance, and to transport them to Tevenapatnam, Porto Novo, Pondicherry, and other sea ports Town for Exportation, for which we are to pay half the Duties only being 2½ p. Cent on all kind of Merchandises, and on Slaves we export to pay 15 Fanams a head, and not to demand any thing from those that bring them to sale, The Custom house people are not to search nor open any Bales or Bags or any other thing nor can they form any pretensions on any Goods that are either landed or shipped off whatever they are mentioned to be on Tripapuloor Pini Goods when carried

to Tevenapatam, the old Dutys are ¾ of a Fanam for 80 Patches more than which shall not be demanded Further on every thing else we embark are to pay 2½ pr. Cent, To unload our Trade we may freight as many Boats and people as We find necessary, without being obliged to apply for a License every Time to the Custom house officers but they to aid & assist us in everything.

ARTICLE 2D. All Goods that We may import at the ports of Sinsur Tenagapatnam, Porto Novo, Pondicherry, & other convenient Places, if we are willing to sale them we may freely unlade them and carry to our Factory or Houses and dispose of them to whom We think proper without any Molestation or Hindrance being given to it—and the Custom house officers are not to be suffered to search and open or count such Goods even if they be opened, whether they be in Chests Bales or Casks but to receive the Account we may deliver we on our part promise to give a just Account to the Custom house of all we may sell, and no ways to diminish or under Rate their real Value, after sold the Merchants to pay 2½ ℘ Cent. We may likewise send our Goods into the inland countries or Villages in charge of our own People to be disposed of whenever We may think proper, without any let or Hindrance being given to it, We to pay on all goods we may have to send 2½ ℘ Ct. and the Merchants at the places where they purchase from us will pay the usual Duties in such Case and if we should not be able to dispose of them and be obliged to bring them back to reembark We shall not be troubled to pay any Duties.

No. 137.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCILL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I wrote you by the Revenge enclosing the Cash Accounts of Manilha making a Ballance of one hundred and eight thousand and six hundred and forty and four Dollars in Your Favor.

Sixteen chests of treasure containing 129288 Rupees I shipped upon the Admiral Pocock Captn. Thomas Riddell for which you have here with the Bill of lading eleven Chests containing 88,000 Rupees making up the Ballance I shipped upon the Revenge for which Messrs. Stevenson & Jourdan received Bills of lading from Commodore Watson.

Hitherto our passage has been very tedious and it gives me great Concern. that there is an Appearance of our being forced to run to China by the way of Sooloo as We are in want of fresh provisions and above forty of our seamen sick, on our arrival there I shall take it upon me, to deliver the 16 Chests of Treasure to the Companys Agents at Canton.

Captn. Riddell intends to make another Attempt for our Passage to Batavia and I hope it will prove successful as it will give me great uneasiness in getting so late to Madras which the Consequence of our going to China must occasion. This comes by some of the Companys servants, who sail for Batavia in a small Malay Boat I am in Esteem and Respect

STRAITS BETWN. BORNEO & PULO LANT.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedt. and most humbe. Servant
DAWSONNE DRAKE.

No. 138.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have the Honor to reply to your Favors of the 18th. & 19th. Ultimo and 6th. Instant, We shall duely follow the Directions you are pleased to give us regarding the Dutch Merchants if any further Application should be made to us about them.

The Weight and Quantity of the Manilha Stores we shll. soon transmit you.

The Plassey Schooner arrived here the 17 Inst. in the Evenr. by whom we have received your Consignment of Money and Gunpowder, agreable to the Invoice and Bill of Lading enclosed she sailed again this Morning for Bengal the Matrass Bengll. Cotton left here sick from on board the Illocos, we sent on her to join his Detachment and have acquainted the Governor & Council of it.

By this Conveyance we enclose you the Accounts of this settlement for last Month and we request your Honor &ca. will send us a farther supply of Cash soon as We have already advanced the Merchants the greatest part of what you have now sent us.

We have the Honor to remain with the greatest Respect

Vizagapatam
19th. July 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient humble Servants
John Smith.
Wm. Barker.

Cloth on Hand.

At the Wash.			
L.C.O.	279		
L.C.M.	132	3	
L.C F.	72	18	
			484 1
In the Warehouse.			
L.C.O.W.	18	5	
L.C.H.W.	69	3	
L.C.F.W.	32	—	
			109 8
Embaled.			
L.C.O.W.	63gy	94	10
L.C.M.W.	7 Do.	14	—
	—		108 10
	70 Bas		
	—		701 19

No. 139.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

In our Address of the 27th. we advised you of our having occasion for an immediate Supply of Cash and some being tendered us here, we have therefore taken the Liberty of drawing on your Honor &ca. for two thousand Pagodas in favor of Mr. John Turing at three Days sight which hope you will approve of and are with great Respect

Cuddalore
1st. August 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient Humble Servants

T. L. Smith.
John Calland.
Robt. Dowsett.
Frans. Jourdan.

No. 140.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Inclosed you will be pleased to receive the Accouts. of this settlement for last Month.

By a Letter lately received from Mr. Whitehill I find that he expects to dispatch to your Honor &ca. by the 20th. of next Month, about an hundred Bales, and purposes to send what more he may be able to get ready by the middle of September on another Vessell. He complains much of the backwardness of his Merchants in bringing in their Goods, I have wrote to them on this subject, and they promise fair, alledging in Excuse for their late Remissness the very unsettled State of the Country, till We took possession of Rajahmundy which made it hazardous to advance their Money to the Weavers, who were in daily apprehensions of being plundered, I have the same Compl. to make of the Merchants here with Respect to the Chay Goods and they give nearly the same Reasons in Excuse.

The Entrance of Nizam Allys Army into the Carnatic and the long stay it made on the Borders of the Guntoor Country where the greatest part of the Chay Goods are provided made it unsafe to trust the Money which had been advanced them, in the hands of the Weavers.

On setling Accounts with my Merchants, for the last years Investment, I called upon them for a Refund of 10 ℘ Cent. on the whole provision, on Account the badness in Quality; and I still threaten them with enforcing the Payment of it, in hopes it will induce them to exert themselves in improving the Goods in Colour and Fabrick, Those they have already brought in seem to be superior in both, to what provided last year, and I shall let them know that the payment, of the refund I have demanded, will be submitted to your Determination, which they can only expect, to be favorable from the attention they shall appear to have shewn to the Improvement of the Invesmt.

I am sorry to acquaint you that the Country this Way affords, a very unfavorable prospect, to the poor Inhabitants and Farmers, from the want of Rain, which threatens a great scarcity of Grain the approaching season, by the entire failure of the Crops, of small Grains, which are usually in great forwardness at this time of the year.

The Nabob (Mahomed Ally) being now in possession of the Fort and Districts of the Ongole Rajah, it is necessary I should acquaint your Honor &ca. that the latter is indebted to the Farmers of Nizampatam for the Arrears of Rent due from him on Account of two Villages belonging to that Circar which he formerly held from the Moor Government but was disposed of by the French, and they were reckoned as part of the Nizampatam District when that Country was first let out after we took the place but as the Ongole Rajah had it much in his power, to be troublesome to the Inhabitants of the several Villages belonging to that Cercir which bordered on his Districts, the Farmer found it most eligible to restore them to him again on Conditions of his paying for them the sum of Pags. 200 annually by way of Rent although much less than their real Value and on these Terms he has held them ever since, but 'twas with Difficulty the Farmer could ever recover his Rent from him and he now stands indebted on that Account as follows Vizt.

To the Estate of Meer Bauker Farmer of the Nizampatam Circar for the year 1763	MPs.	122	9 —
To Maddely Reddy Gerrauze and Jogue Puntaloo Farmers for 1764		200	— —
	MPs.	322	9 —

which being now totally irrecoverable from him it seems but reasonable should be paid by the Nabob.

The Names of these villages are Vellagapoody and Davarum Paddo, and from the best Information I have been able to get I find their produce in Grain is estimated at about Ps. 800 annually and in Salt near twenty thousand Rupees if the year proves favorable, but the Charges on making this Article, and the Inhabitants share of the Grain with the customary Fees of the Zemindar, Despondee and Muzmadar are to be deducted which may amot. to seven or eight thousand Rupees, I have enquired of the present Farmers of that Circar what they are willing to give for those Villages but they seem totally averse to taking of them at any Rate, alledging that as the people necessary for manufacturing the Salt are only to be procured from the Ongole Districts, and that by Force, they should not be able to manage that Business, they therefore request only that the annual Rent they were left at to the Ongole Rajah, of Ps. 200 may be paid them by the Person whom the Nabob may put in charge of that Country, or deducted from the Amount of their Cowle for that Circar, and as I have no hopes of finding any one here willing to take those villages at Rent, your Honor &ca. will no doubt settle with the Nabob the terms on which they are to remain under his Management,

I have the Honor to subscribe myself most respectfully

MASULIPATM. HONBLE SIR & SIRS

31ST. JULY 1765. Your very obedient & most humble Servant

JOHN PYBUS.

List of Cloth on Hand at Bandarmalanka.

L.C.O.	1666 Pieces.	
L.C.M.	1138 Do.	
L.C.F.	614 Do.	
		3418 Pieces.
I.Z.Z.S.		137 Do.

at Masulipatam.

Chay Goods of different Sorts 1200 Do. Brown.

No. 141.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I am honored with your Commands of the 23d. Ultimo the Reason of the sorting Table and Bale Horses appearing to your Honor &ca. to be high charged is because I was under a Necessity of purchasing what Timber and Plank I had, occasion for on my Arrival from the Dutch there being none to be procured in this Neighbourhood, on account of the Troubles then subsisting; but I beg leave to assure your Honor &ca. that I shall be very attentive to make every Charge as low as possible, and those that you have been pleased to take Notice of would not but for the above Reason which was unavoidable have been charged so high.

The Accounts of this settlement for last Month and a set of Books closed to the last of April 1765 wait on your Honor &ca. I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect.

Ingeram
4th. Augt. 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most humble and most obedient
Servant
George Dolben

No. 142.

To the Honble the President & Council
of
Fort St. George
Fort William
or Bombay.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Honble Court having last season taken up two ships the Buckenham Captn. Mallcok & Solebay Captn. Richardson for a Voyage to Madagascar, to procure Slaves for the use of this settlement, they arrived here the 8th. Instant upon adjusting accounts, with the respective Captains they have refused the Repayt. here of the sum of two thousand five hundred Pounds sterling which the Honble Court advanced them in England alledging that they do not find themselves obliged by their Charterpartys to refund that sum, and that they apprehend it was paid their owners in Consideration of the Voyage, on perusing the Charter Partys, We do not find them so distinctly worded as not to afford some Room for Altercation, The Honble Courts Directions to us are very explicit, but as We could not procure the Repaymt. without seizing the Ships and Cargoes, the Captains really not having Money sufficient to defray their Expences, we do not think it for the Companys Interest, to take such a step, the only Method therefore that we had to pursue was to protest against the Captains and their owners, for this default of their Agreemts. and to refer the procuring Satisfaction to the Honble Company or their Agents at any place, where the same may be recovered by due of Course of Law, it is for this purpose We enclose to your Honor &ca. Council the following papers.

1st. The Charter party of the Ship Beckenham.

2. Our protest against the owners & Captain Mallock.

3d. The Companys Account Current with the owners of Ship Beckenham sent us from England.

4. Attested Copy of Captn. Mallacks Letter to us refusing payment of ye. Ballance.

5. Captn. Mallacks Instructions from the Honble Court.

6. Our Account Current with the owners of Ship Beckenham.

We have also enclosed an attested Copy of the Honble Courts Directions to us on this subject, and also the Account Curt. of this ship transmitted us in her packet from England.

We hope the above Papers will be sufficient for your Honor &ca. to procure proper Redress, we shall advise the Honble Court of what we have done herein, and must refer them to your Honor &ca. Council for such further Information as may be necessary to procure satisfaction of the Owners in England. in case none can be had in India, as it is uncertain to which Presidency Captain Mallock may go, we have directed this Letter in a general way, that the Presidency at which he first arrives may take such Measures, as they may judge requisite.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient humble Servants

ROGER CARTER.
RICHD. WYATT.
JOSEPH DARVALL.
ROBT. NAIRNE.
ROBERT HAY.
JOHN HERBERT.
HEW STEUART.
JOHN GUILD.

FORT MARLBRO
28TH. JUNE 1765.

No. 143.

TO THE HONBLE THE GOVERNOR & COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE
FORT WILLIAM OR BOMBAY.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Since closing our Packet of the 28th. June Captn. Richardson has applied to us for a supply of Cash, to defray some Expences incurred on the Ship Solebays Account, and having at the same Time lain before us the Impracticability of his proceeding on his intended Voyage in compliance to his request We have therefore advanced him P. 3000 three thousand Dollars upon Bond, to be repaid to your Honors at either of the three presidencies he may go to, and for the better Recovery whereof inclosed We transmit you the bond. We remain

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants

ROGER CARTER.
RICHD. WYATT.
JOSEPH DARVALLE.
ROBERT HAY.
ROBERT NAIRNE.
JOHN HERBERT.
HEW STEUART.
JOHN GUILD.

FORT MARLBRO
6TH. JULY 1765.

A MONSIEUR BURNETT

MONSIEUR

Pay Chonnear de vous informer que J'ay Fortie de Madrasse avec Mr. Drake en qua'lite' de Volontaire pour expedition de Manillee, on jesuis parvenue au poste d'officier dans la Compagnie du Capt. Mayer on dansune Sortie Payen la Disgrace d'etere fait prisonier de Guereet conduit dans le fond des province.

Sorsque le Captn. Breton est party J'ay été forcerpar ma Maladie de Rester a terre fort mal'etant port de'tat'dele Suivre Javois Esperance de partere aveel' embarcation du St. Courtinne mais ma Sante' ne pu' me le permittre Jayapris de neut dede Mars quildevais partir le Valsseau du St. Gaspart Jay demande' a passe' pour Batavia quoi que tresincommoder presentant pour avoir mon passage la Certification de Mr Joan Jequerdo commeetant demeura a Manille Prisonier de Guerre.

Etant arrive' a Batavia Jay demandé mon passage pour Madrasse Colle Coromandel me trouvant dans la Necessite dequell qu'argens pour me defrayer demon passage, je fut trouve, largens dee la Compagnie Angloise leprean de me donner in quarte piastre monye des pagne ronde augue'l pour cette Effect je lius deterre mon Billet Surville'le Gouvernmt. etconseille superiur de Ft. Geoe. que je prencl a valori seroles appointement quille me sone due.

Jay ri honneur d'etrel tres parfaitement, vtog. tresesste. serviteur.

BATAVIA
21 May 1765.

FRS. LEBOUF.

TO MR. BURNETT

SIR,

I have the Honor to acquaint you that I left Madras with Mr. Drake, as a Voluntier on the Expedition to Manilha where I was made an Officer in the Company of Captn. Mayers, and in a Sortie had the Misfortune to be taken Prisoner, and carried up the Country.

When Captn. Brereton came away my Indisposition obliged me to stay on shore extremely ill, I was then in hopes of coming away in Mr. Courtinnes Ship, but my health could not permit me being informed the 9th. of March, that Mr. Gasports Vessell was about to sail I applied for a passage to Batavia, though very inconvenient obtaining for that purpose the Certificate of Mr. Joan Jequerdo of my having remained at Manilha a prisoner of War.

On my Arrival at Batavia I desired a passage to Madras, being in want of some Money to defray the Expences of it. I applied to the Companys Agent for fifty Spanish Dollars to whom I have on that Account given my Note on the Governor & Council of Fort St. George, which I shall account for in the Allowances that are due to me.

I have the Honor to be very perfectly
SIR,
Your most obedient humble Servant

FS. LE BOUF

BATAVIA
21st. JUNE 1765.

No. 144.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.

President and Governor &ca. Council

of Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have before us your Honor &ca. Favors of the 9th. 15, 18 & 23d. Ultimo to which We beg leave to reply.

As neither of the Bimblepatam Merchants were in our Districts when we received your above Favor, We agreeable to your orders immediately wrote them and desired they would go and settle Accounts with the Dutch at Bimblepatam, if they did not they must forthwith order their Famylies out of our Bounds, on which Jomminah Jagoenayketoes Family who lived here in a few Days withdrew from hence but Moopera Chitty Butchena who is confined it Casimcotah for a Debt of Rupees 2,000 writes that he shall in a few Days settle that Affair; and then he will go and remove his Family from Watlara.

The Dutch Gentlemen do Mr. Smith great Injustice to think his Demand on Moopera Chitty Butchina a formd done [*sic*] as he had at that Time Bills on him for Rupees 5,100, which as he could not then pay in order to satisfy on him the best he could, he gave him a Note in favor of the person who had drawn those Bills that the Amount should be paid in Paddy out of his first Vessels that were to arrive at Madras that season, which he supposes was complied with, as he has never heard any thing to the contrary.

The Reason for our dispatching the London to Bengal before We heard from you, was on account of her not being able to pursue her Voyage to Madras, at that untimely Season, and We thought she might be wanted at Bengal, if not and you should have occasion for her, it would make little or no Difference for your Honor &ca. to order her from thence to your Presidency.

You have enclosed three Rolls for the Arrears of the Military in the Form you desire under the Commands of Mr. Meredith, We advised you the 19th. Ultimo that We had advanced them one Months Arrears, and paid them for July agreable to the Rolls then sent.

The Chief of Masulipatam has as yet given no orders about the Europeans, and Cofferys so that We have been obliged to give them their pay for this Month, and on their being told they were to join the Detachment, at Rajemandry, they declared they could not go without another months pay, they being at least so much in Debt for Cloaths, and other necessarys, they had purchased here, as when they arrived they had scarce a Rag to cover themselves and the seapoys were in the same Condition & for ye. same Reason we have been obliged to advance them their pay for this and next Month or else they could not proceed to Madras it being six weeks March at least, these being Cases of Necessity we hope they will meet with your Approval, you have enclosed the pay Rolls for August for the European Cofferys & for August & Spetember [*sic*] for the seapoys, these have given us a great deal of Trouble about leaving their Arms here, and to satisfy them We have at last let them have eight Muskets among them as a safeguard for their not being plundered, for which the Subidar has promised to be answerable, as well as for their good Behaviour on the Road, they set out this Day for Fort St. George.

The Speedwell Schooner arrived here the 2d. Instant in the Evening, by which we have received ten Thousand Mads. Pagodas and the Musters of Salampores conformable to Invoice & Bill of lading she sailed again 4th. in the Morning after having taken in wood & Water.

We wrote your Honour &ca. of the 30th. Ultimo to which we must beg leave to refer you for particulars regarding the Salampores our Merchants offered to deliver, with the prices Length breadth and Punjums they used to make here but as you gave us no Answer, we imagine those prices were not agreable and the Merchants declare they cannot furnish us with any like the Musters now received, but at a much higher price than you have charged for those sent hither.

We shall next Month put in Execution your orders regard the payment of the Military &ca. in this Garrison, but we must beg leave to observe, that it will be hard, upon the sepoys and Peons, to be lessend in their pay which was very small, so that to lose any thing out of it we apprehend will occasion great Murmuring, which we are afraid will not be easily reconciled.

You have enclosed an Account of the Weight and quantity of the Manilha Stores, you desired and by this conveyance We have also sent you the books of this settlement for the last year.

We have the Honor to remain with the greatest Respect

VIZAGAPATAM
7TH. AUGT. 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedt. Humbe. Servts.

JOHN SMITH.
WM. BARKER.

CLOTH ON HAND.

AT THE WASH.

L.C.O. ..	..	..	..	200 16	
L.C.M. ..	..	..	..	90 15	
L.C.F. ..	..	..	..	43 18	
				———	335 9

IN THE WAREHOUSE.

L.C.O.W.	..	..	..	22 17	
L.C.M.W.	..	..	..	40 8	
L.C.F.W.	...	..	..	37 1	
				———	100 6

EMBALED.

L.C.O.W.	..	..	..	130 195	
L.C.M.W.	..	..	..	49 98	
L.C.F.W.	..	..	..	13 26	
				———	319 —
Bales ..	..	..	..	192	
				Corge ..	754 15

No. 145.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have been honored with your Commands of the 30 Ultimo and as Mr. Whitehill acquaints me, the House at Bandarmalanka is in so bad a Condition as to be irreparable, and that he expects it to fall, the first heavy Rains, I shall send the Head Bricklayer from hence to survey it, and frame an Estimate

of the Expence, which will attend pulling it down and building another, which shall be forwarded to your Honor &ca. as soon as possible for your Determination.

I shall be mindfull in future of your Injunctions to insert the quantity of Cloth on hand at the foot of all my Letters and am very respectfully

MASULIPATAM
15TH. AUGT. 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedt. and very hue. Servt.
JOHN PYBUS.

Cloth on hand as ℔ Last.

No. 146.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Since our last of the 28th. May We have received your several Letters of the 15th. & 27th. of same Month, 12, 24 and 29th. Ultimo and 4 and 8 Instant with the Packets and Papers advised to accompany them, and we are glad to hear of the safe arrival of the three ships you mention.

Having taken into consideration the Advices from our Honble Masters with those received from you, and the Gentlemen at Bombay in respect to the shipping on Hand this season, we have formed a Disposition of them, of which we enclose you a Copy & from it you will observe that with the Admiral Steevens purchased to be sent home with Dispatches in the Month of September & to which we purpose giving a Cargo chiefly of fine Goods, We shall have five ships to provide for, from this side exclusive of the Earl of Middlesex, which you intend making our October Dispatch of these We shall send one to you in December with the supply you request of Salt Petre in order to be returned Home in February, three We shall return direct from hence fully laden, and if our Investment will possibly afford it, the remaining one also, but if this as we apprehend should not be in our power, she may be employed to carry the stores from this and your presidency for Fort Marlbro, and proceed from thence to China.

The Great Assistance which the Gentlemen at Bombay received from us last season in the Article of Salt Petre, and what we mean to supply them with this at least twenty five thousand Maunds will we expect enable them to return home, the four Ships consigned to their Side as well as the Kent of last year, which we shall send round in September, the Asia arrived here from that presidency the 3d. Ultimo and instead of her former Destination, we now purpose returning her also, leaving to them her further Disposal either by Dispatch to Europe, or providing her with a stock and sendg. her to China and to assist them in Case of the latter appointment, We shall if the state of our Treasury will possibly allow of it make them at the same Time a Remittance of two or three Lacks of Rupees, they have already had permission to draw on us as far as five Lacks.

This Disposition we must observe is made on the supposition that the Falmouth comes out on the same Terms, and Footing as the Rest of the ships, in which Case we conclude it may stand good, but if on the contrary she is an old ship for sale, in India we can forward home the whole of our Investment by encreasing the Bale Cargoes, of the other three from the usual proportion

of one thousand to fourteen or fifteen Hundred, Bales, and least any Accident should happen, to either of them, we purpose deferring the Dispatch of the Asia untill the beginning of November, when we must be upon a Certainty and shall take our Measures accordingly.

We observe with pleasure the large Provision which will this season be made for the China Branch, and hope it will be sufficient to enable the Supra Cargoes to return, not only all the Ships of the present, but also three of the last year, which we understand are now sailed thither from Batavia.

On the 9th. Instant arrived at Ingerlee from Vizagapatam the Companys Country Ship London dispatched hither by the chief & Council as We conclude they have duely advised you she met with much unfavorable Weather in her Passage into the River which occasioned the Loss of her Anchors and cutting away her Mizen and Main top Masts.

In Consequence of Application made to us by Mr. Nathaniel Barlowe a Writer on your Establishment and Mr. John, Mr. Nab Lieutenant and Adjutant of his Majestys 79th. Regiment who were obliged to put in here on being drove to leeward of your place we have advanced them, to the former the sum of Arcot Rupees 1,804 and to the latter Arcot Rupees 1,792 being for their pay and Allowance &ca. as ℔ Bills which we enclose you and we have debited you for their Amount.

We have received the supply of Arms promised us by the Royal Charlotte, for which we return you thanks and you shall be duely credited.—You have already been adviced of our precaution for securing you the requested supply of Jagree and you may depend on its being forwarded as early as possible,

We are with Esteem
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient humble Servants

WM. B. SUMNER.
C. S. PLAYDELL.
B. LEYCESTER.

FORT WILLIAM
18TH. JULY 1765.

EXTRACT from the Honble Companys Genl. Letter to their presidency of Fort William dated 1st. June 1764.

Parah. 67th. The general Court of proprietors having on Account of the critical situation of the Companys affairs in Bengal requested Lord Clive to take upon him the Station of President and the Command of the Companys Military Forces, there his Lordship has been appointed president and Governor accordingly as mentioned in the preceding part of this Letter, the Intention of the general Court in desiring Ld. Clive to go to Bengal was, that by his Lordships Character and Influence peace and Tranquility might be easier restored and established in that Subashhip in order therefore to answer these purposes, in a Manner that we apprehend may prove most effectual, we have thought proper to appoint a Committee on this occasion consisting of his Lordship Mr. William Breghtwell Sumner, Brigadier General Cornac also Messrs. Havry Verelst and Francis Sykes, to whom we do hereby give full powers to pursue whatever Means they shall judge most proper to attain those desirable Ends, but however in all Cases where it can be done conveniently, the Councill at large is to be consulted by the same Committee, though the power of determining is to be put in that Committee alone, we further direct that as soon at peace & Tranquility are restored and established in the subaship of Bengal then the said extraordinary powers, are immediately to cease, and the said Committee be dissolved.

Para^{h}. 68. As we would have the same Committee as long as it is necessary to exist as before mentioned to consist of five Members in Case therefore of a Vacancy or Vacancies by Death or Absence from Fort William they are to be filled up by the same Committee out of such of the civil Members, of the Council as they shall think proper from Time to Time.

69. We are also to inform you and direct that the said Committee is to be the Committee for defending the settlement in Case of being attacked, by an Enemy agreable to Directions and Rules laid down in our Letter of the 12th. of May 1758 to which is to be added S^{r}. Robert Barker the Colonel and Commandant of the Corps of Artillery.

A TRUE EXTRACT

W. MAJENDIE.

DISPOSITION of shipping on HAND for 1765.

ESSEX			
DUTTON			
SALISBURY			
TILBERRY			
ROYAL CAPTAIN ..	Ships of 1765 to be dispatched home in 1765/6.		
HORSENDON		FROM CHINA	12
THAMES			
GROSVENOR			
AUKERWYKE			
DUKE OF RICHMOND..			
DUKE OF GLOCESTER.	Ships of 1764 to be dispatched Home in		
EARL OF ELGIN ..	1765/6.		
CLIVE			
TRUE BRITON ..			
HARDWICKE	Ships of 1765 to be dispatched from Bombay directly Home.		
GODOLPHIN			
KENT	Ship of 1764 D°. D°. D°.		
ASIA	Ship of 1764 to be dispatched home from Bombay if they can furnish a Cargoe else with a Cargoe to China to return from thence to Europe in 1766/67	FROM BOMBAY	8
FOX	Ship of 1765 to be dispatched from Bombay to China f^{m}. thence to Europe in 1766/7.		
ROYAL CHARLOTTE ..	Ship of 1765 to be dispatched f^{m}. Bombay to Mocha & to return Home in 1766.		
EARL OF MIDDLESEX.	Ships of 1763 directly home 1765/6.	FROM MADRAS	2
PACIFICK	D°. 1765 D°. D°		
GRINVILLE	Ships of 1765 direct home 1765/6.	FROM BENGAL	4
PONSBORNE			
FALMOUTH			
ADMIRAL STEVENS ..	Packet with a Cargoe direct home 1765.		
SPIKE	Ship of 1765 to be dispatched from Bengal if the Investment will afford a Cargoe for her if not to be sent to Bencoolen with Stores and thence to China to return home in 1766/7.	FROM COAST OF BENGAL	1
			27

19	Ships as ℔ list of	1765
6	D°. D°.	1764
1	additional	1765
1	Packet	1765
27		

FORT WILLIAM
18th. July 1765.

A true Copy.

W. MAJENDIE,
Secy.

N°. 147.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have had the Honor to receive your Commands of the 6th. and 17th. Instant ℔ Speedwell Schooner inclosing me Invoices and Bills of lading for 24 Bales of broad Cloth and twelve thousand Madras Pagods. the latter for the purposes of the Investment and the former to be disposed of to the best Advantage for the Honble Company to which I beg leave to assure your Honor &ca. I shall pay a due Attention.

The Schooner was detained no longer than was absolutely necessary for landing the above Articles, and sailed this afternoon for Vizagapatam, I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

INGERAM
THE 31ST. JULY 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble and most obedient Servant
GEORGE DOLBEN.

N°. 148.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have been favored with your Letters of the thirty first ultimo, & 1st. Instant accompanying sundry papers relating to the Dutch Factory here, since which the ten thousand Pagodas advised us therein to be forwarded for the use of this settlement has been received.

The Books of this settlement which we shall have most occasion for are the Consultations and Choultry Books, from the year 1750 and which we should be glad to have as soon as possible.

Our Cash Account, and other Monthly papers, wait on you herewith, and at same Time take the Liberty of enclosing you an Indent for broad cloth, which we request your Honor &c^{a}. will be pleased to comply with as soon as convenient. We are with much Respect

CUDDALORE
23 AUG^{T}. 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obed^{t}. Hum^{e}. Serv^{ts}.

J. L. SMITH.
JOHN CALLAND.
ROBERT DOWSETT.

List of Cloth on Hand—		
Bales at Washers	52	
Beaters	9	
Dyers	29	
Embaled	288	
Bales ..	378	

INDENT of Broad Cloth wanted for the use of Cuddalore Factory August 1765.

BROAD CLOTH Super fine Scarlet	6	pieces.
D^{o}. Scarlet fine	12	D^{o}.
D^{o}. Super fine Green	1	D^{o}.
D^{o}. Green Fine	3	D^{o}.
D^{o}. Aurora	12	D^{o}.
Perpetuanoes fine	4	D^{o}.
Perpetuanoes ordinary Viz^{t}.		
Grass Green	6	D^{o}.
Orange Colour	1	D^{o}.
Flannels Viz^{t}.—		
White	1	D^{o}.
Calgid	2	D^{o}.

JOHN CALLAND
W.H.K^{r}.

N^{o}. 149.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have been honored with your Commands of the 13th. Instant and you may depend on the joint Endeavors of myself and Mr. Whitehill to promote the Increase of the Investment all in our power, and I must in Justice to the latter remark that the very disturbed state of the country has been a grand obstacle in his way as Sittaramrauze and his Adherents from the Time that Hussein Allys Agents took upon them the Management of the Circars of Ellour and Mustaphanaigur which was so early as the Month of November last, kept the Country people in continual Alarms, and raised heavy Contributions on them that from the time our Troops joined Hussein Ally and Marched from hence, our settlements were more than once threatened with

plunder which was so universally expected by the Inhabitants of them especially when our Troops crossed Rajahmundys River that Mr. Whitehill acquainted me the Island of Bandarmalanka was almost deserted and he sent me the Ballance of the Companys Cash remaining there expecting daily to be visited by some of the Rabble from Sitteramrauze's Army—under these circumstances it could not well be expected that the Merchants would trust their Money in the Hands of the weavers or that the weavers could be kept to their Looms, when every Man was anxious for the preservation of his property and security of his Family, thus Affairs were situated till our Troops took possession of Rajahmundry in May last, and the violent Heats which succeedd afterwards for near two Months being very unfavorable for manufacturing Cloth, but little Progress could be made in the Investment till the weather became more moderate—I have wrote to the Merchants in the most pressing Terms to excite them to exert themselves in bringing in their Cloth, and Mr. Whitehill I am persuaded spares no pains to effect the same, I have already acquainted you he expects to dispatch to you in a Day or two an hundred Bales and by ye. 20th. of next Month, he informs me he is in hopes of sending up as many more if the weather should continue favorable for curing it which will be nearly as many as were usually sent up at this season of the year in the time of his predecessor.

The Tappies placed on the Road from hence to Rameapatam were stopped ten or 12 Days ago between the Districts of Nizampatam and those lately possessed by the Angole Rajah by four or five Fellows, who seized and tyed the Tappy Peon to a Tree & carried of his bag of letters, some Shepherds have since picked up many of the Letters which they found scattered up and down among the Bushes, and having delivered them to the Tappy people were brought here this afternoon—they prove to be part of a packet from Bengal, and I now forward them to your Honor &ca. being 77 in Number many of them have been opened, and whether the whole Number contained in the Packet have been found or not, I cannot determine as this Affair happened between ten and Eleven o'clock at Night and was done by persons unknown, in a part of the Country which has been lately in a Disturbance it will hardly be possible to obtain any satisfaction from a further Enquiry into it, but your Honor &ca. may be assured I shall make it my Business to endeavor to discover the people who have been guilty of this Violence.

The supply of Stationary (*sic*) you have been pleased to send by a Country Boat, has been duely received and Account Current Fort St. George shall be credited the amount. I am very respectfully

Masulipatam
21st. August 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your very obedient humble Servant
John Pybus.

Cloth on hand at Bandarmalanka as ℔ Last At Masulipatam Chay Goods of sorts 1400 pieces.

No. 150.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

This serves to enclose your Honor &ca. the Accounts of this Settlement for the last Month.

By the Cash you will please to observe that your first Remittance by the Plassey is already advanced to the Merchants and out of your last supply by the Speedwell we have advanced for the Military &c^{a}. about Pagodas 1000, and our Merchants will be soon applying for more Money, which with the Expences of this next Month will lessen our Cash so much, that we shall be again in want of a farther Remittance which we beg you will furnish us with by the first opportunity.

We also enclose you Indents of Stores Broad Cloth and Medicines for the use of the settlement, which we desire you will order to be sent us, we have the Honor to remain with the greatest Respect

VIZAGAPAT^{M}. HONBLE SIR & SIRS
17TH. AUGUST 1765. Your most obedient and most humble Servants
JOHN SMITH.
WM. BARKER.

CLOTH ON HAND.

At the wash.

L.C.O.	207 15		
L.C.M.	100 2		
L.C.F.	43 18		
			351 15

In the Warehouse

L.C.O.W.	7 —		
L.C.M.W.	7 16		
L.C.F.W.	3 1		
			17 17

Embaled

L.C.O.W.	142 Bas. quy.	213	
L.C.M.W.	66	132	
L.C.F.W.	30	60	
Bales ..	238	Qu^{ty}.	405 —
		Corge.	774 12

INDENT OF BROAD CLOTH FOR VIZAGAPATAM

17th. Augt. 1765.

Broad Cloth Fine Scarlet	2 Bales
Broad Cloth Ordinary yellow	1 Do.
Perpetuanoes ordinary red	1 D°.
D°. yellow	1 D°.

W. BARKER
W.H.K^{R}.

INDENT OF STORES FOR VIZAGAPATAM

17th. August 1765.

Iron		100 Barrs
Grapnols large		3
Bengal paper		100 Quires
Stationary [*sic*] Ware		1 Chest
Cordage 4 Inch	3 Coils	
3 Dº.	4 Dº.	
2 Dº.	2 Dº.	
.. ..		9 Coils
Deep Sea Lines		2 Skains
Hand Lines		2 Dº.
White Rope		2 Coils
Tar		6 Barrels
Pitch		4 Dº.
Europe Spars		3
Lead		4 Slabs
Anchors from C.C. to S.C.		4
Lascars knives and scissars		
Spying Glasses		4

WM. BARKER
Storekeeper.

Nº. 151.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have received your Letter of the 13th. Ultimo and in Conseque. of your Resolution, to dispatch the Earl of Middlesex to Europe we shall shortly transmit your Honor &ca. packet for our Honble Masters to be forwarded by her.

2. This is chiefly to advise that We have this Day granted a Sett of Bills of Exchange on your Honor &ca. for Bombay. Rupees thirty thousand (30000) at ten Days Sight and to be paid in Pags. at ye. price Rups. may bear when the Bills become due as We cannot ascertain the Exchange. These Bills we hope you will be able to discharge, without any Inconvenience but lest it should be otherwise you will perceive, We have inserted a Clause, wherby they are only payable on that Condition. We are

BOMBAY CASTLE
23D. JULY 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedt. Servts.

CHAS. CROMMELIN.
WM. HORNBY.
W. A. PRICE.
CHAS. WATERS.
SAMUEL COURT.
JAS. BYLEY.
R. H. BODDAM.

No. 152.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The King of Travencore having been very sollicitous with us for above a twelve Month past to advance him some Money on Account his Pepper Contract with the Honble Company, and his Majesty having immediate Occassion to pay some Merchants, namely, Lucksimadass Misaladass & Lucksimadarapattah Ranamapattar Dabalabutra Avisal, the sum of Rupees Bombay (76,589–1–12) for a parcel of Diamonds & requestg. us to give him Bills of Exchange on your Honor &ca. for the Amount We are reduced under such Circumstances to an indispensable necessity of complying with his Majestys request, to give him two Bills on your Board in Favor of the above named Merchants the former for Pags. (13,326) on Account Crisnadaba & ye. latter for Pags. (10000) ten thousand on Account Pursotumdass amounting together to Pags. (23,326) Payal. 30 Days after sight having settled the Exchange of the Pags. at 328 Rups. ℔ 100 pags. lest too frequent a Failure of our Promises, of supplying his Majesty with Money and refusing to Favor his present request as he throws in pepper daily may at this present Juncture cause him to be suspicious we therefore hope they will be duely Honored. The King has sent us an original Letter, which he says he received from the Governor of Pondicherry regarding the Effects sent by Monsieur Husse the French Resident at Callicut for the late Usouf Khan, an English Translate of which, agreable to his request we now enclose for your Honor &ca. perusal.

The enclosed Address for our Superiors is purposely to advise of the Bills we have drawn on your Honor &ca. which we shall bring to Account on our Books in Rupees.

Parrivica Nattan, & Andam Chitrus who provide the Cloth Investment for the Honble Compy. at this settlement having requested us to assist them, in recovering some Money & Cloth due to them from the Weavers in the Trinnevelly Country who (they say) have evaded rendering any satisfaction since the late Disputes there we took the Liberty of writing to the commanding officer at Paliam Cotah to afford them any proper Assistance for the Benefit of our Honble Masters Investment here. We are with respect

Anjengo
7th. Augt. 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient Humble Servants
J. Whitehill.
Arthur King.
W. Tayler.
J. W. Stasse.

A translate of the Governor of Pondicherrys Letter to the King of Travencore

To the illustrious ornament of Charity, Prince of Happiness, incomparable in publick Fame, and of Kings the Invincible person of Rama Raja Monsieur Nicola Governor of Pondicherry for the royal Company of France pays his Respects—on the 28th of May in good Health I was in Possession of this Colony of Pondicherry my great Respect for you makes me anxious to hear, that your Majesty enjoys perfect & robust Heath, I am always desirous to preserve your Majestys Friendship for as much I have heard that some Effects belonging to Monsieur Husse have been detained at Coletchee for above a year, your Majesty will be pleased to take off said Embargo in such Manner

that he may convey them to Callicut and if the owner should chose [*sic*] to send them to this port, I likewise request you will grant it agreable, to his Desire for as much I wait your Favora[e]. Answer, and opportunities to serve your Majesty, whom God preserve many years &c[a].

A TRUE COPY OF THE TRANSLATE

GEO. F. PITCAIR
Secry.

N°. 153.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQ[R].
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT S[T]. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Duplicate of our last Letter by the Buckenham and Solebay you will please to receive enclosed.

The present serves to accompany our Honble Masters Snow the Luconia Capt[n]. Tho[s]. Forrest whom we dispatch to your presidency with a further Detachment of twenty five seypoys and one European Soldier, five sepoys from our Garrison List of their Names and The time they have paid up to you will please to receive enclosed Captn. Forrest has agreed to victual these sepoys at three Fanams p[r]. Diem.

As the Luconia Stands in need of much repair, we must beg that as soon as she has delivered her Consignment you will forward her without Loss of Time to the Presidency of Bombay in order that she may be there thoroughly refitted.

Inclosed your Honor &ca. will please to receive Duplicate of our former Indent transmitted by the Earl of Middlesex with which we beg your Compliance.

M[r]. Elidad Blackwell a Factor upon this Establishment takes passage upon this Vessell for your Presidency for the Recovery of his Health which as soon as effected he has orders to return to his Station here.

We omitted to advise your Honor &ca. in our Dispatch by the Beckenham and Solebay of our having drawn on you the following Bills which we beg you will Honor Viz[t].

1	Sett to Robert Nairne Esq[r]. payable to Mr. Andrew Ross dated 6 July 1765 for	Pag[s].	1323	19	40	P	2117	0 66
1	Sett to Capt. R. Dawson payable to Polling G. D'fries 6 July 1765 for ..		1100	—	—		1760	— —
		PAG[s].	2423	19	40	P	3877	0 66

The bad Crops of Rice that were produced last year all over the Companys Territories occasion now a scarcity of this Article that begins to alarm us, The Company having had a large stock has hitherto prevented any bad Consequences, but the Demands that have been made our Godowns, joined to an Addition of a Number of people, has obliged us to stop all sales, and reserve all that left for the Companys use only, the Country and Inhabitants here now feell [*sic*] the Effects of this, We find on a Calculation that we have not left above four Months stock a supply or [*sic*] 3000 or 4000 Bags we must therefore press your Honor &ca. at furnishing us with, and that with as much

Expedition as possible, if it should be inconvenient to you, we shall depend on your representing the urgency thereof, to the President and Council at Bengal whom we hope will be able to send us a supply on the opening of the NE Monsoon, so as to be with us in November.

It is now under our Consideration whether it will not be for the Companys Interest to alter our Resolution of sending the Admiral Watson to Benjar to endeavor at opening the Trade of that place as we expect the Royal George soon by which time We may receive such Intelligᵉ. as may give us a better insight into the Affairs of that place than we have yet been able to procure, in this Case we purpose despatching her over to your Presidency and she will afford a Conveyance for the Rice in Case you should judge it proper to make use of her for that purpose, we are to observe to your Honor &caᵃ. that we shall not have any other service for the Admiral Watson and therefore her future Destination may be such as you think most for the Advantage of the Company. We are

FORT MARLBRO
23ᴰ. JULY 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servants

ROGER CARTER.
RICHAᴰ. WYATT.
JOSEPH DARVALL.
ROBERT HAY.
ROBERT NAIRNE.
JOHN HERBERT.
HAW STEWART.
JOHN GUILD.

P.S.—Inclosed we transmit you a Manifest of private Trade on board the Luconia.

Nº. 154.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQᴿ.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT Sᵀ. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

By the Earl of Middlesex which arrived here yesterday, We received your Favor of the 26ᵗʰ. Ultimo, and agreable [*sic*] to your Directions shall send on board, the Bales we have ready that no Time may be lost in dispatching her to you.

We have ordered Captain Fletcher to land directly the sundries your Honor &ca. have been pleased to send on board for the use of this settlement, and the stores for Trichenopoly when landed, shall be forwarded with the utmost Dispatch.

As there are many of the Military Stores at Cuddalore unservicable [*sic*], as also Palmeiras and other Materials for building we should be glad to know if it would be agreable [*sic*] to you to have the Palmeiras disposed of at outcry, and as the repairs wanting to some of the Military Stores cannot be done here, whether we should forward them to your Honor &cᵃ.

We are, with much respect,
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedᵗ. Humble Servants

CUDDALORE
2ᴰ. SEPTᴮ. 1765.

J. L. SMITH.
JOHN CALLAND.
ROBERT DOWSETT.

List of Cloth on hand.

Washers	61 Bales	
Beaters	36	
Dyers	46½	
Embaled	288	
	——	431½

N°. 155.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esq^r^.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort S^t^. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Inclosed you will be pleased to receive the Accounts of this settlement for July.

M^r^. Whitehill acquaints me that the Rains have prevented the first Despatch of his Bales so soon as he hoped for, but that the Vessel would sail as yesterday or to Day with one hundred and and [*sic*] ten on board and that by the End of the Month he expected to send a second Cargoe of about one hundred more.

I have sent under Cover an indent of sundry Wares and stores wanted at this place for the service of the Field and Garrison which I request your Compliance with and am very respectfully

Masulipatam
4 Sept^r^. 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your very obedient and most hum^e^. Servant
John Pybus.

List of Cloth on hand.

At Bandarmalanka.

	pieces	
L.C.F.	1031	
L.C.M.	1917	
L.C.O.	2761	
	——	181 Bales
	5709	
I.Z.Z.	250	1 D°.

At Masulipatam

	pieces	
Chay Goods of sorts	1800	
		9 D°.

An Indent of Stores wanted for the use of the Field and Garrison of Masulipatam.

One Laboratory Chest compleat	
Port fire Moulds, former Drivers Ladles &c^a^. Setts ..	2
Europe Cabtridge [*sic*] paper	3 Reams
Junk	6
Rezin	1
Antimony	50 lb.
Sail Needles of different sort	50 lb.
Palms	12 lb.

AN INDENT OF STORES WANTED FOR THE USE OF THE FIELD AND GARRISON OF MASULIPATAM—*cont.*

Sat [*sic*] Petre..	100 lb.
Sulphur	60 lb.
Meal powder	200 lb.
Europe twine	100 Seams
Bengal D°.	100 D°.
English Musket Ball Mould	1 p[t].
Europe Canvas of different sorts	6 Bolts
Tarr	4 Barrells
Pitch	1 D°.
Morline	20 Skains
Log Hambre Line	12 D°.
Whip Cord for quilting Grape Shot	6 D°.
Pump Nails	30 le.
Scupper Do.	20 le.
Bitts and priming Wires of different sorts &c. ..	24
Tube Boxes	6
Flannell	2 P[rs].
Shot Gages of Brass	1 Sett
Knives and Scissars	12
Sledge Hammers	2
Claw D°.	6
Pincers	6 Pairs
Country Match	200 Skains
Spirits of Wine	15 Gallons
Camphire	10 lb.
Lin Seed Oil	20 Gallons
Lambblack	20 Lasts
Powder Seives Fine and coarse-of each	1
Serjeants Swords Belts & Halberts Eatch ..	12
Anvills fitting for Camp	3
Files of different sorts	12
Hand Spikes of different sorts	100
Flints	15000
Hand Jacks	2
Spades	12
Shovels Iron Shod	12
Gunners Horns & Slings	6
Hand Hatchets	80
Bill Hooks	12
Europe Vinegar for Compositions	32 Gallons
Turpentine	12 lbs.
Glasses Viz[t]. 2 hours 1 hour half hours & Minute each.	2
Chalk	100 lb.
Iron & Brass Wire	10 lb.
Tinn Shels	20
Copper addes vice or Diver	1 Sett

AN INDENT OF STORES WANTED FOR THE USE OF THE FIELD AND GARRISON OF MASULIPATAM—*cont.*

400 Tubes of different Sorts	2000
Lead Aprons and Sheet Lead	200 lb.
Drums compleat	3
Drum Cords & Snares	12
Pinn Sheet	2 Pr.
Screw plates	1
Wooden Locks	15
Padlocks	20
Hinges of Sorts	30 pr.
Nails of Sorts	8 Candy
Wooden box Compasses	5
Broad Cloth emerald fine Green	15 ps.
Superfine Blue	2 ps.
fine Blue	5 ps.
Aurora	5 ps.
Ordinary Green	5 ps.
Double Colourred & Green	1 ps.
Perpetuanoes yellow	10 ps.
Velvets Crimson Green and yellow	1 ps.
Embossed Cloth	2 ps.

MASULIPATAM
4TH. SEPTEMBER 1765.

JOHN PYBUS.

No. 156.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Enclosed is Invoice and Bill of Lading for one hundred and one Bales of Callicoes laden on board the Sloop Tartar, and if the Weather will permit, I flatter myself I shall be able to send your Honors about one hundred more the latter End of the Month, I am with the greatest Respect

BANDARMALANKA
THE 3D. SEPTEMBER 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient Humble Servant
JOHN WHITEHILL.

No. 157.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

The Bricklayer whom I sent from hence to survey the Factory House at Bandarmalanka is returned and reports it irreparable, and not habitable with Safety, the Expense of erecting a new one must depand on the Dimensions of

it—under Cover is the Ground Plan of one, with his Estimate of the Expense that will attend building it, if it should meet with your Honor &ca's approbation, and here I think it necessary to acquaint you that the Companys old Factory house at Maddapollam is going daily to decay, in which there are a number of excellent Materials that might be made servicable [*sic*] towards building the new Factory at Bandarmalanka, whether they might be easily convey'd by means of the Rivers, and if the House is not shortly pulled down would, should it fall, be the greatest part of them lost I request therefore to know your Determination concerning it.

Accompanying this comes a Packet from Mr. Whitehill enclosing Invoice and Bill of lading of one hundred, and one (101) Bales of Callicoes laden by him on board the Parter Sloop, consigned to your Honor &ca. on Account our Honble Masters which I hope will arrive safe.

I am very respectfully
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your very obedient and most humble
Servant
JOHN PYBUS

MASULIPATAM
8TH. SEPTEMBER 1765.

List of Cloth on hand
At Bandarmalanka.

L.C.F.	401
L.C.M.	867
L.C.O.	1291
	2559 Pieces.

At Masulipatam.

Chay Goods of Sorts	1900 pieces.

AN ESTIMATE of the Expence that will attend building new Factory House at BANDARMALANKA on the accompanying Plan.

Bricks 540,000 @ Fas. 22·40 ℔ Mill	337	18	—
Terras Do. 150000 @ 9 ℔ mill	37	18	—
Chunam 250 Candys @ P 1 ℔ Candy	250	—	—
Jaggey 12 Do. @ 10 ℔ Do.	120	—	—
Black Gram Caracayloo Sand &ca.	30	—	—
6 large Teak Timbers	60	—	—
18 Small Do.	70	—	—
150 Teak Timbers for Joists	225	—	—
1000 Palmears	250	—	—
Nails of sorts 4 Candys	80	—	—
Iron 7 Candys	70	—	—
Charcoal Potts &ca.	50	—	—
Iron Smiths Cooley	100	—	—
Carpenters and Sawyers	300	—	—
Bricklayers	500	—	—
Cooleys Women & Boys	400	—	—
Cooley hire bringing Clay Bricks Sand &ca.	200	—	—
Madras Pagodas	3080	—	—

MASULIPATAM
8TH. SEPTEMBER 1765.

No. 158.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

This waits on you ℔ the Earl of Middlesex which We now dispatch to you with three hundred, and eighty two Bales of Callicoes on Account of the Honble Company, Invoice of which and Bill of lading we shall forward to you ℔ Tappies, and are with great Respect

Cuddalore
16th. September 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient Humble Servants
J. L. Smith.
John Calland.
Robert Dowsett

No. 159.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have received your Letter of the 14th. Instant and agreable [*sic*] to your Directions therein have shiped on board the Earl of Middlesex all the unserviceable Stores, which could not be repaired here, and as they do not appear upon our Books, and unacquainted how we became possessed of them, are uncapable of debiting your Presidency with their Value, we can therefore only enclose your Honor &ca. List and at the same time beg leave to acquaint you, that most of the Guns at Cuddalore, are useless for want of Carriages.

On landing the stores from the above ship we find there is a Deficiency of sundry Articles, a List of which is enclosed & Must acquaint your Honor &ca. that the Storekeeper informs us the Numbers of Bars of Iron were agreable to the Invoice and the Packages of the Nails in good condition.

This accompanys Duplicate of our Address pr. the Earl of Middlesex which we dispatched to you this Day, and likewise enclose you Invoice and Bill of lading of the three hundred and eighty two (382) Bales we consigned you, on her as also List and Bill of Lading for the unserviceable Stores. We have the Honor to be

Cuddalore
18th. Septembr. 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient Humble Servants
J. L. Smith.
John Calland.
Robt. Dowsett.

List of Cloth on hand.

Bales	57½	at wash	
	8½	Beaters	
	13½	Dyers	
Bales ..	79½		

N°. 160.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.

President and Governor &ca. Council

of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have the Honor to transmit you the Accounts of this settlement for last Month also a Duplicate sett of Books Letter A ending ultimo April 1765.

I hope to dispatch to your Honor &ca. what Bales are in Readiness within a few Days, which would have been dispatched before this but for an unfortunate Accident at Coringa the Banksalls there having been burnt to the Ground, and in one of them all the Sails and Riggs. belonging to the Vessell that was to have carried them, I am sorry to acquaint your Honor &ca. that your Bales of Broad Cloth namely, Aurora two ordinary Red one, and Popenjay one were consumed in the Fire, being landed at Coringa on Account of the Speedwell Schooners having drove to leeward of Ingeram Bar, after landing the other twenty.

I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

Ingeram
September 11th. 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most humble and most obedient
Servant
George Dolben.

N°. 161.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.

President and Governor &ca. Council

of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Conformable to what we wrote you under the 25th. Ultimo a Duplicate of which is enclosed, we now transmit you a Packet for our Honble Masters, which we request may be forwarded by the Earl of Middlesex, or the first ship dispatched from your Presidency.

We have received your letters of the 27th. & 28th. June, & 16th. Ulto. and congratulate your Honor &ca. on the arrival of the several ships therein mentioned. By a calculate of Goods now actually in Warehouse at this Presidency and the subordinates, we have the satisfaction to find we already have nearly sufficient to provide for the Kent (should she be sent round to us) and the four ships bound hither from Europe, so that should your Honor &ca. or the Gentlemen at Bengal, have more ships than you can find Cargoes for, we flatter ourselves, we shall be able in the course of the Season to collect Goods so as to provide for one, or perhaps two more, and you may therefore regulate yourselves accordingly.

We are concerned your Honor &ca. landed the Gunpowder consigned to us ℔ Kent, as we are much in want of this article as well as all other kind of

Stores from Europe, and we must therefore earnestly desire, you will not land any part of our Consignments by the Ships which are to touch at your place, in their way to this Presidency.

We are with Esteem
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Servants

CHAS. CROMMELIN.
WM. HORNBY.
W. A. RICE.
CHAS. WATERS.
SAMUEL COURT.
JAS. RYLEY.
R. H. BODDAM.

BOMBAY CASTLE
22D. AUGUST 1765.

No. 162.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We addressed your Honor &ca. last the 5th. July ℔ Pattamar accompanying Duplicate of the usual Dispatch from hence the 10th. June to the Honble the President and Council of Bombay, all which Packets, were forcibly taken and detained by a race of Banditti, who have greatly infested the Southern Roads, since the late disturbances at Callicut.

Our Honble Masters Ship London left this place, with a full loading for Europe the 13th. May.

We have only at present to request your care of the enclosed Packet from us to Monsieur Law, and that you will forward the same by the first opportunity that offers subscribing ourselves

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient H'ble Servants

THOMAS BYFELD.
W. HUST.
WM. ASHBURNER.
RD. BALE.
THOMAS DAY.
ROBERT SPARKS.
WILL: TOWNSEND.

TELLICHERRY
3D. SEPTR. 1765.

No. 163.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Since our last which was forwarded by the Luconia Snow under Date of the 23d. Ultimo a Duplicate whereof comes enclosed, we have come to a resolution of dispatching to you the Ship Admiral Watson Captain John Blewit in hopes that you will be able to return her to Europe with a Cargo; or if not in your Power that she will arrive time enough to be sent to FORT WILLIAM for that purpose, as we have no particular employment for her here.

We have laden on board her two hundred Barrels of Europe Gun Powder and some other Stores that we think will be serviceable at your Presidency, Invoice & first Bill of Lading for which, come now herewith.

Having thought proper to make a Reduction in our Military we have put on Board the above said ship fifty Europeans and thirty Seapoys, and given the command of them to Capt. ROBERT GRANT. As he is a very valuable Officer we earnestly request that you will please to fix him on your Establishment and that the above Seapoys may be exchanged for Europeans out of your first Recruits from England, or, if that can't be done, his Company be compleated out of those Troops we sent to your assistance under the Command of Capt. Frazer.

A List of the above said Military we now transmit you they have been paid up to Ult°. August, & Captain Blewit is to be allowed as Usual for victualing them during the Passage.

Enclosed are Extracts from the Honble Courts General Letter to us relative to the Ship Admiral Watson, which we send for your observance.

We beg leave to enforce our Request ℔ Luconia for a Supply of Rice to be sent us as early as possible, and we cannot help repeating our former desire, for a few ships and cattle being forwarded us upon every Conveyance.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Servants
ROGER CARTER.
RICHD. WYATT.
JOSEPH DARVALL.
ROBERT HAY.
ROBERT NAIRNE.
JOHN HERBERT.
HEW STEWART.
JOHN GUILD.

FORT MARLBRO'
12TH. AUGUST 1765.

We have agreed to allow the Surgeon of the Admiral Watson two Dollars ℔ Man in Consideration of his care of the Military.

N°. 164.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

This waits on your Honor &ca. by the Snow Friendship, John Edwards, Master, on Board whom I have laden on account & risk of the Honble Company three hundred Bales of Calicoes as ℔ Invoice and Bill of Lading enclosed amountg. to Pas. 23832–20–68.

The Fine Long Cloth and Muslins are making and shall wait on your Honor &ca. by the next Conveyance also the different Musters of Goods made in this Neighbourhood, the unsettled situation of the Dutch having rendered it difficult to get all the assortments made by them with the exact Prices.

I beg leave to enclose your Honor &ca. an Indent for Stationary [*sic*].

I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient & most Humble
Servant
GEORGE DOLBEN.

INGERAM
THE 27TH. SEPTR. 1765.

No. 165.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

This serves to enclose your Honor &ca. Invoice and Bill of Lading for four hundred Bales of Callicoes, shipped on Board the Bristol Snow, Alexander Brodie Commander, for account of the Honble Company, amounting to Curt. Pagodas 32,427–18–21 for which we shall Debt (*sic*) Acct. Currt. Fort St. George. We have done our utmost to procure this quantity, and to dispatch them as soon as possible, so that we hope they will come in Time, and our best endeavours will meet with approbation.

We have also sent you four Musters of Salempores the two finest are we think much better then [*sic*] those you sent us, tho' of the same Punjums, and the others are the ordinary sorts they used to make here, the Merchants assure us they cannot deliver them at less Prices than they are charged at in the Invoice We had not time to get the quantity made as you desired. We have the Honor to remain with the greatest Respect

Vizagapatam
22 Septr. 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. Humble Servants
John Smith.
Wm. Barker.

No. 166.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We are favor'd with your address of the 18th. Instant accompanying Remarks made on the accounts of this Settlement by the Committee of Accounts.

The charge which appears in our Hospital accounts for Victualling four Prisoners in the month of May, were Natives sent hither by Major Campbell from Worriarpollam dangerously wounded, and they being quite helpless we could not well avoid letting them remain in the Hospital till recover'd of their wounds.

The reason of the advances made to our Merchants appearing to exceed the Cloth brought to account, arises from their being paid for what they bring in the Curt. Month, as well as part of what is brought in the preceeding, but which we shall take care to avoid in future.

Agreable to your Honor &ca. directions in your Letter of the 2d. Instant a survey has been made of the Palmeiras & other materials for Building, which are reported to be so much Worm eaten & decayed, that it will be necessary to have them disposed of as soon as possible, in consequence of which we intend to put them up at Publick Outcry.

Sadasheverow the Renter of St. David & Trevendoporam Bounds, has delivered us in a Petition representing his inability to pay the July Kist we therefore take the Liberty of refering it to your Honor &ca. and at the same time cannot help observing to you, that altho' there was no Rain in June or July, yet there now appears to be a good Crop on the Ground & we are unaquainted of his having met with any particular Losses.

Since closing last Months accounts, our Cash, by several Advances, made on account of the Investment, is nearly expended, We must therefore request your Honor &ca. will be pleased to order us a supply of fifteen thousand (15000) Pagodas as soon as possible.

Our Cash account and other Monthly Papers, wait on you herewith and are with much respect

CUDDALORE
29TH. SEPTR. 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient humble
Servants

JOHN LEWIN SMITH.
JOHN CALLAND.
ROBERT DOWSETT.

List of Cloth on hand.

Washers	72	Bales
Beaters	41	
Dyers	24½	
	137½	

TO THE WORSHIPFUL JOHN LEWIN SMITH ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. COUNCIL OF CUDDALORE.

The Humble Petition of Sadashevarow Bound Renter of St. Davids and Trevendeporam.

SHEWETH

Your Petitioners Misfortune urges him to acquaint your Worship &ca. that the Crops of the Bounds of St. David and Trevendiporam were greatly deminished for want of Rain in proper Season, in the year 1764 and also in May and June last, notwithstanding which, your Petitioner has paid his Rents punctually till June 1765. Now your Petitioner assumes liberty to acquaint your Worship &ca. that he finds it impossible to pay in the Rent due for July Kist only, being Pags. 2850 whereof Pags. 1200 due for the Bounds of St. David & Pags. 1650 to Trevendiporam till January 1766 when your Petitioner will be able to pay in the abovementioned sum, and in the mean time your Petitioner will pay in the Rents monthly from August according to Kists.

Therefore your Petitioner humbly prays your Worship &ca. will graciously please to grant his aforesaid request, which Favour will in duty bind your Petitioner

Ever to pray &ca.

No. 167.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have been honor'd with your Commands of the 3d. Instant which I cannot yet give a satisfactory answer to, being in expectation of some of the Principal Inhabitants belonging to the Villages lately held by the Ongole Rajah, part of the Nizampatam Circar, who I have sent for in order to

obtain the most certain accounts relating to the produce of them: the information I before gave you on that subject was the best I could procure here, and such as I thought could be depended on, But your Honor &ca. may be assured of the most particular account of this matter, so soon as the People I have sent for arrive.

I am very respectfully
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. and most h'ble Servant
JOHN PYBUS.

MAZULIPATAM
28TH. SETR. 1765.

List of Cloth on hand at Bandarmalanka.

Long Cloth ordinary	2100	
Midling	1507	
Fine	656	
	——	4263 Pgs.

at Mazulipatam
Chay Goods of sorts 2400 Pieces, of which 1,200 are Embaled.

No. 168.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

The Chief having acquainted us that he had received a Letter from Mr. Bourchier (by order of the President) desiring him to forward such Bales as were in readiness but the other Gentlemen of the Board observing there was no publick order on this head, and the season being far advanced, it was of course dangerous; the Chief therefore taking upon himself to be answerable to your Honor &ca. for sending those Bales, we this Morning dispatched to you two Chilingeas with such Cloth as we had on hand consisting of forty two (42 Bales on account of the Honble Company, Invoices of which, and Bills of Lading wait on you herewith and are with much Respect

CUDDALORE
6TH. OCTOBER 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servants
JOHN LEWIN SMITH.
JOHN CALLAND.
ROBERT DOWSETT.

List of Cloth on hand.

At Washers	112½
Beaters	8
Dyers	39½
Bales	160

No. 169.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We are to acknowledge the Receipt of your Favors of 24th. Ulto. the 5th. & 14th. Instant.

Herein are enclosed Duplicates of the Invoice &ca. sent you the 21st. Inst. by the Bristol Snow. She was detained the next Day by contrary winds, and did not Sail till the 23d. in the Morning but we hope she will arrive in good time for the Meddlesex.

We shall take care in future to make a proper distinction between the Civil and Military Departments as directed.

We are making Enquiry about the Villages agreable to the order of your Honor &ca. and shall furnish you with the best accounts we can get.

Mr. John Davidson arrived here from Bimblepatam the 21st. Instant with Capt. Tinner of the Grenville who being unable to make this Place by reason of Squally weather came to deliver his Packet and to consult about his farther Proceeding. Capt. Tinner assuring us he could not get here without great loss of time and some hazard considering the season of the Year and your recommending to us his immediate dispatch, we have thought it most for the Honble Companys interest to land the Stores &ca. there and the Dutch Chief has permitted them to be lodged in their Godowns, where they must remain till the Monsoon is over when we shall send our Boats if you think Proper to bring them here.

The two Chests of Treasure were brought over Land, that for Ingeram with your Packet we have forwarded to Mr. Dolben. Capt. Tinner sailed yesterday about Noon. We desire you will please to order our Indent of Medicines sent ℔ Bristol Snow to be fully complied with by the return of the Bristol Snow as we are much in want of them Enclosed are also the accounts of this settlement for last Month. We have the honour to remain with the greatest respect

Vizagapatam
25 Septr. 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedt. & most h'ble Servants
John Smith.
John Davidson.
William Barker.

No. 170.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

This waits on your Honor &ca. with Duplicate of my last and Duplicate Invoice and Bill of Lading for three hundred Bales of Calicoes laden on Board the Snow Friendship John Edwards Master.

I have the Honour to be with the greatest Respect

Ingeram
the 29th. Septr. 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient and most Humble
Servant
George Dolben.

No. 171.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Enclosed wait on your Honor &ca. Invoice and Bill of Lading for one hundred and Seven Bales of Calicoes, laden on Board the Snow Brilliant, amounting to Curt. Pagodas 8553-3-26.

I am with the greatest Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient & most humble
Servant
John Whitehill.

Bandarmalanka
2d. Octr. 1765.

No. 172.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We send you by this Ship the Fort St. George one thousand Maunds of the promised supply of Taghree with eight Bales containing eight hundred pieces of Baftaes for Chintzing in their natural colour as required by your Letter of the 4th. April. Enclosed you have Invoices & Bills of lading for the same, and we shall forward to you by the next opportunity the remainder of the first Article.

We have for some time past observed very dangerous encroachments of the River upon our New Fort and considering the great Importance of concerting immediately some effectual measure for preventing their further Progress we are induced from the high opinion we entertain of Mr. Call's abilities to request the favor that he may come down to us for a short time in order to assist with the Gentlemen here who are skilled in the Engineering Branch in taking the subject under consideration.

The Master Attendant having represented to us that we are in great want of Anchors for the use of the Company's Marine particularly of those from Six to twelve hundred Weight and that if we are not soon supply'd it will be impossible for our Sloops to ply down the River, we beg leave to recommend this to your attention, & earnestly request you will furnish us accordingly as amply and speedily as possible.

We have received since our last bearing Date the 25th July your different Letters of the 6th. 12th. 15th. 18th. and 31st. of the same Month ₱ Plassey and Speedwell Schooners and other Conveyances together with one from the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam by the Plassey of the 18th. accompanying a Matross * of the Bombay detachment on service here who was left sick with them from the Illacos.

Enclosed we transmit you agreably [*sic*] to desire an account of the Manilla Stores landed from the London with their value, as computed by our Storekeeper, who has at the same time represented to us, that he has rated them so low from their being in general found in extreme bad condition. Having ourselves no immediate occasion for this Vessell we conformed to your Recommendation and gave orders for her sale, & she was in consequence lately exposed

* A gunner's assistant from the Dutch *motross*, a sailor. The 'Gun room crew' was originally formed and recruited from ships' crews. Note No. 17, Page 282, Love's Vestiges of old Madras.

at Outcry, but no Bidders offering at her estimated value, we ordered her to be hauled on shore for Inspection, and again put up when there might appear a greater probability of disposing of her to advantage. The Commander proceeds to you by this opportunity for the adjustment of his accounts, but previous to the Receipt of your advices we had on his Representation of nineteen Months wages being due to himself and Crew amounts. to Rupees 13,870 and the occasions of the People for a small supply of Cash to provide them here with necessaries, advanced him on this account the sum of Rup. 3000 upon receiving afterwards our orders to attend you he laid before us a general statement of his accounts with the Honble Compy. with Copies of several vouchers making a Ballance due from them of ARs. 28,382–6–0 and resting satisfied to adjust the other Articles with you sollicited Payment here, of the Ballance of the Crews wages, or that we would indemnify him from any suits on account thereof which Method some of the People had actually taken on being apprised of the intended Sale of the Vessel and his Departure without paying them off; considering the circumstances set forth, and that you would be able to recover any part that might be unjustly charged, from his general Ballance we thought we could not refuse him further advance which he accordingly received to the amount of Rup. 10,000 & his acknowledgements for both are herewith enclosed. At Capt. Alves's particular request we beg leave to represent to you the Loss which he may suffer from quitting the Settlement at the opening of the shipping season and being thereby deprived the opportunity of getting again into Employ and thus circumstanced if any service offers at your Place we hope your Honor &ca. will take his case into consideration. The late Receipt of your last Letter requesting a Supply of Rice in the ensuing Month by one of the Company's Ships and our having already laden on board the two here their Proportions of Salt Petre for Bombay, put it out of our power to comply with that application; we doubt not however the Quantities exported to your Place by the different Country Vessells will fully assist you, but if you should be still further in want, of which you will please to advise us, we shall supply you by the Ship which will proceed to you with Salt Petre to be filled up for Europe.

The Packet from the Supra Cargoes at Canton ℔ Plassey has been received, and we have duely credited you for the amount of the Stores with which you supplied the Speedwell and Honored the Drafts advised in your different Letters.

On the 22d. Ulto. imported with us from Fort Marlbro the Solebay one of the two ships taken up last season for furnishing that Presidency with Slaves from Madagascar, having on Board seventy of the Company's Troops for your Place whither she was bound but drove here by Hard Gales of Wind, which she met with off Ceylon; We have landed the Troops & transmit herewith a Packet to your address likewise received by her; We send you further the Company's Packet for your Presidency by the Kent, which we did not think it adviseable to forward overland and we, suppose contains, as ours did, only Duplicates of what you received by the Lapwing.

We are with Esteem
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient Humble Servants

CLIVE.
WILLM. BRIGHTWELL SUMNER.
JOHN CARNAC.
HARRY VERELST.
FRANCIS SYKES.
RALPH LEYCESTER.
GEORGE GRAY.

FORT WILLIAM
16TH. SEPTR. 1766.

No. 173.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have received your Commands, of the 24th. Ulto. and conformably to the Permission you have thereby been pleased to grant, the New Factory House at Bandarmalanka shall be set about so soon as the Weather will permit and Materials can be collected and your Honor &ca. may depend on all possible Frugality in the Execution of the Work.

I have communicated to Mr. Whitehill your orders relating to the early Dispatch of his Bales which I doubt not he will have due regard to.

Inclosed comes a Packet for your Honor &ca. from Mr. Whitehill accompanying Invoice and Bill of Lading for 107 Bales of Calicoes consigned you by the Brilliant Snow on account our Honble Masters, which I hope will arrive Safe.

Under Cover I have the Honor to transmit you the accounts of this Settlement for August and am very Respectfully

Masulipatam
6th. Octr. 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your very Obedient & most humble Servant
John Pybus.

Cloth on hand at Bandarmalanka

L.C.O.	730	
L.C.M.	651	
L.C.F.	335	
I.Z.Zs.	89	
	——	1805 Pieces.

Do. at Masulipatam.

Chay Goods of Sorts		2700 Pieces, of which 1200 are Embaled.

No. 174.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have received your Honor &ca. Letter of the 21st. Ulto. by the Sloop Tartar, and have as I was directed forwarded to Mr. Dolben the Chest of Treasure consigned him by your Honor &ca. by her.

I am with the greatest Respect

Bandarmalanka
the 8th. Octr. 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servant
John Whitehill.

No. 175.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have had the Honor to receive your Letter of the 14th. Ulto. by the Grenville with a supply of 11500 Madras Pagodas forwarded to me by the Chief and Council at Vizagapatam.

I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

Ingeram
the 7th. Octr. 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most humble & most Obd. Servt.
George Dolben.

No. 176.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have been addressed by Mr. Lowe on the Sub[ject] of his ill treatment at Ganjam, as will appear more fully [in] the inclosed copies of his Letters No. 1st, 5th, & 11th. On the Receipt of h[is] first Mr. Smith immediately wrote G. Ramadoss, the conte[nts] of No. 2 and also to our Rajah, Chitteram Rauze No. 3 [by] whose answer No. 4 your Honor &ca. will in some measu[re] see the Purport of his Letter to G. Ramadoss, or (as he calls him) Dosanna, which we were willing to see if Ramadoss com[p]lied with, before we acquainted you thereof, but since Mr. [. . .] himself has wrote to you to the enclosed Letter No. [. . . on the] subject, we thought proper to lay before your Honor &ca. [the] whole proceedings in this affair.

The Rajahs Letter to Ramadoss was sent from thence the 19th. Ulto. when we wrote Mr. Lowe the contents thereof and hoped he would be able to settle every thing to his satisfaction of which we shall acquaint your Honor &ca. in due course. We have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

Vizagapatam
3d. Octr. 1765.

Honourable Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Humble Servants
John Smith.
John Davidson.
Willm. Barker.

No. 177.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I humbly beg leave to lay before you a Narrative of the ill treatment I have lately met with from Gaude Rammadoss who is collecting the Rents of Jeseram Rauze in the Chicacoal country. Hoping that as I am employed

here on account of the Honorable East India Company & particularly employed for expediating the Tappees to & from Madrass & Bengal that you will please to take my case into consideration for notwithstanding I do not think myself or Effects safe in this Place I think myself obliged to remain here untill (if it is found necessary) I may receive orders to the contrary.

I do humbly beg leave to assign my reasons for troubling you with this address, and not my Constituents at Bengal, which are, that on my arrival here, I was made acquainted by John Smith Esqr. at Vizagapatam that it was requisite to have the liberty of the President of Fort St. George and in a short time after I had the Honor to receive that liberty from Robert Palk Esqr. as it might in some measures tend towards the Benefit of the service. I am

GANGHAM
SEPTR. 25, 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient and most Humble Servant
JOHN LOWE.

THE NARRATIVE OF JOHN LOWE RESIDENT AT GANGHAM (FOR EXPEDIATING THE TAPPIES TO & FROM MADRASS & BENGAL) ON ACCOUNT OF THE HONOURABLE ENGLISH EAST INDIA COMPANY.

ON the first of August last Gaude Ramadoss Suba of the Chicacoal Country did send for me to meet him at Barampoor; and on my arrival there did voluntarily offer me the Purgunnah and River of Gangham at Rupees 18,500 ℔ Annum on the following conditions to which I agreed—

1. That whatever truely remained due on the River and Purgunnah of the last years Jemmabundee I was to collect, but that no force was to be put on the Riots, who were voluntarily to declare what they owed which said Sum I was to make myself accountable for.

2. That on my return to Gangham I was to send to him (Gaudé Rammadoss) all the accountants of the Purgunnah &ca. which I did and on his examining their accounts they made out, it appeared that there was due on the last years Jemmabundee 3400 Rupees. On the 2d. September he (G. Ramadoss) did send to Gangham a guard to bring me, Tapeta Cawn my Gomastah, and Sheck Boudy Woudy my Monshy, to him at Camp near Aska, and upon our arrival there, he (G. Ramadoss) did order me to give Notes of hand to some Jemidars of Seapoys, to the amount of 5,500 Rupees which he said was the sum due on the Purgunnah, but neither the accomptants or Riots would agre [*sic*] to indemnify me. I therefore refused to do any thing of the kind, upon which he in my presence did tye up and severely flog, the head accompt^{t}. and choudry, or principal Riot until they agreed, but as this was entirely contrary to my agreement, I still refused; he (G. Ramadoss), therefore thought proper to place a Jemidar & Twenty seapoys as Centinells over me with orders that I was not to ease Nature in any one Respect but Breathing untill I paid him Rup. 2000 down and complied as above for the rem^{r}. of 5500 Rup.

In this condition on a very hot Day and no Wind I did remain from 9 o' clock in the Forenoon till 2 in the afternoon when on my still non compliance his people forcibly took out of my Palankeen 1000 Rup. nor was I then suffered to retire to my Tent untill I ordered my Monshey and Gomastah to go and see the said Money counted and pay 19 Rup. Batta on said Rs. and the Centinells that were over me for their trouble. On the said Evening I waited on Gaudé Ramadoss for leave to return to home, and to know the reason of his ill treatment but could get no admittance to his Presence, and desired to come tomorrow every Day till the 12th. Instant when he gave me leave to return and told me with his own Mouth that he would deduct the Duty on what Goods

I had bought and Sold at Gangham, (altho' on my arrival at Gangham) in January last he, G. Ramadoss did give me a Firmaund wherein it is expressed, that no Body under his Government is to take Duty or Custom on my Goods either by Land or Sea on any account whatever) and the Compliment due to him for Building a house at Gangham and then gave me two Papers which he said were Receipts for what I owed him and the other a Note of hand for the Remainder of the aforementioned 1000 Rupees, nay desired me to think nothing of what was past, and he perhaps might hereafter be my Friend.

The two Receipts, The Firmaund, a Certificate of the above Narrative & a state of my affairs in point of Trade, whereby those Gentlemen who have made me Consignments together with myself, are like to sustain loss. I duely transmitted to John Smith Esqr. Chief &ca. Council at Vizagapatam in hopes that they will be laid before The Honble the President & Council at Fort St. George.

N.B.—I do hereby Certify that the above Narrative is the truth the whole Truth & nothing but the Truth so help me God.

Gangham — John Lowe.
24th. Septr. 1765.

No. 178.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have had the honor to receive your commands ℔ Tartar Sloop accompanying a consignment of Fourteen thousand Madrass Pagodas, seven thousand of which I have forwarded to Vizagapatam under an Escort of seapoys as I do not apprehend any risk, for which sum I have debited Vizagapatam Factory, and credited acct. Current Fort St. George for the whole amount of the Invoice, I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

Ingeram — Honble Sir & Sirs
11th. Octr. 1765. — Your most humble and most Obedt. Servant
George Dolben.

No. 179.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Accompanying this, you will please to receive the accounts of this Settlement for last Month.

I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

Ingeram — Honble Sir & Sirs
12th. Octr. 1765. — Your most humbe. and most Obedient Servant
George Dolben.

No. 180.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have received your Letters of the 7th. & 8th. Ulto. and this is dispatched purposely to return Seven of your Pattamars who now embark on an Express Boat to Tellicherry, from whence the Chief is directed to send two of them forward with this letter and we request your Honor &ca. will particularly notice its Receipt, that we may Judge of the Expediency of sending Letters through this Channel.

The Letter enclosed in yours of the 8th. Ulto. shall be carefully forwarded by the first Opportunity.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient humble Servts.

Bombay
12th. Septr. 1765.

Charles Crommelin.
Willm. Hornby.
Charles Waters.
Samuel Court.
James Ryley.
R. W. Boddam.

No. 181.

To the Honble President & Council
of Fort St. George.

Gentlemen

As you will in all Probability be under some apprehensions for the Ponsborne I could not lose this opportunity of informing you that we are safe, we left Zeloan the 9th. Instant and have been Beating to Windward on the Coast Since the 12th. we spoke with the Clive Capt. Allen the 24th. (they are all well on Board) but lost Company with him that same Night it being very squally and we too weakly Man'd to manage our sails, having had a very tedious Passage and have Buried one third of the ships Company and are now in a very sickly condition; when we spoke the Clive we were Abreast Sadras and are now at an Anchor to the No. ward of Pondicherry, seeing a Cattamarran coming off to us was my Reason for writing, You may depend upon it I shall make all possible Expedition to arrive at Madrass.

I am
Gentlemen
Your most Obedient humble Servt.

Ship Ponsborne
off Pondicherry
26th. Octr. 1765.

John Payne.

Total Dead	...	...	...	48
Sick Soldiers	...	...	...	37
Do. Seamen	...	...	...	33

No. 182.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

By my letter under Date the 16th. Inst. you would be advised of the accident which had happened to one of the Boats with Stores for this settlement, and inclosed is an account of the several articles damaged, deficient and utterly unserviceable of the consignment by her concerning the former I request your orders, and Permission to write off the latter, This account should have been transmitted sooner, but my Indisposition has prevented it.

Mr. Whitehill having some private affairs to settle at the Presidency, requests permission to come up with his Bales in January.

I am very Respectfully
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your very Obedient & most humble
Servant
John Pybus.

Mazulipatam
25th. Octr. 1765.

Cloth on hand at Bandarmalanka.

L.C.O.	874	
L.C.M.	781	
L.C.F.	380	
	——	2035 Pieces.
I.Z.Zs.		89 Do.

At Mazulipatam.

Chay goods of sorts 3000 Pieces of which 2000 Embaled.

An Account Particulars of Stores and Wares Deficient, Damag'd & Unserviceable ℔ Boat Chinnu which sunk in the river Kistna Vizt.

	Deficient.	Damaged.	Unserviceable.
Sail Needles	6	..	..
Flints	300	..	..
Camphire	1½ lb.	..	..
English Cartridges Spoil'd ..	..	79,000	..
Do. Do. Lost ..	10,000	..	..
Salt Petre Spoiled ..	..	..	2 Barrels.
Meald Powder Spoiled ..	..	..	2 Do.
Do. Do. Lost ..	2 Barrels.	..	..
Port Fires Spoiled ..	..	..	500
Tubes Do. ..	..	..	11,000
Madrass Powder Do. ..	..	..	10 Barr.
Sheet Lead Lost ..	6 lb.	..	..
Lin Seed Oyl Do. ..	7¾ Gallons	..	..
Tarr Do. ..	1 Barrel	..	..
Pitch Do. ..	1 Do.	..	..
Broad Cloth, Double Colour, Red and Green	1 pt.	very much.	..

AN ACCOUNT PARTICULARS OF STORES AND WARES DEFICIENT, DAMAG'D & UNSERVICEABLE ℔ BOAT CHINNU WHICH SUNK IN THE RIVER KISTNA VIZT—*cont.*

	Deficient.	Damaged.	Unserviceable.
Aurora	..	5 Pss.	..
Ordinary Popenjay	..	1 Ps.	..
Embossd. Cloth. O.	..	..	2 Pss.

Mazulipatam,
25th Octr. 1765.

John Pybus.

No. 183.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We are favoured with your Letters of the 5th. & 23d. Instant.

The Remarks on our Bales sent you ℔ the E. of Middlesex we shall pay proper attention to, but beg leave to acquaint your Honor &ca. that notwithstanding we have from time to time given the strictest orders to the Merchants to prevent the Weavers from filling up the cloth with Conjee, Oyl &ca. yet they still continue that Practice which is very liable to deceive the sorters, and occasions its appearing much worse when washed than when taken in Brown, but as we have ordered notice to be given in these Bounds and the Villages of Chennamanaick Pollom & Nediaput that whoever is detected in doing so in future will be severely punished, we hope it will be the means of putting a stop to this custom. We shall insist on Sadasheveraws immediately paying his July Kist for the Bounds of St. David's and Trevenduporam, agreable to your Honor &ca. Directions.

As the arrears due to our Merchants are very considerable, and the fifteen thousand (15000) Pagodas you have been pleased to order to be sent us, not being yet come to hand, and which will be little more than sufficient to pay for the cloth already brought in, obliges us to request of your Honour &ca. to order a farther supply of the like sum to be remitted us as soon as possible.

Our not having had Cash sufficient to pay the Merchants for their cloth when delivered, will occasion our cash accounts for this and the preceeding Month from corresponding with the quantity of Cloth brought in.

We have also received your favor of the 26th. and in consequence thereof shall immediately acquaint our Merchants with the additional quantity of the several Articles which our Honble Masters are desirous of having and will as soon as possible advise your Honor &ca. how far they are likely to comply with it.

Our Cash Accounts and other monthly Papers wait on you herewith as also the Havildars of Chenamanaickpollam and Nediaputts account produce of the said villages from the first of May to 31st. July. We have the honor to be

CUDDALORE
28TH. OCTR. 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servants

JOHN LEWIN SMITH.
JOHN CALLAND.
ROBERT DOWSETT.

List of Cloth on hand.

At Washers		145½
Beaters		8
Dyers		59½
	Bales ..	213

Account Jemabundy of Chenamnaickpollam & Nediaput Villages Jaghire of the Honble Company from the 1st. of August to 15th. of November 1764 under Moodu-Kistna Pilha Renter & from the 16th. of November to 31st. of July 1765 under the management of Audimoola Pilha Havildar, being 12 Months Vizt.

Chenamnaickpollam				
Juncan &ca.	Pas.	243	3	2
Fees of the Head Tenants		9	10	52
Grain Lands		566	20	16
The produce of Tammerin Jacks Mangoes & Palmeira Tope		68	4	35
	Pags.	886	38	25
Nediaput				
Juncan	Pas. 64 39 14			
Grain Lands	597 27 50			
The produce of Tammerin, Jacks Mangoes & Palmeira Tope	88 36 63			
	Ps.	751	17	47
	Pagodas	1638	12	72

Dr. Acct. Neat Proceeds of the Rent of Chenamnaickpollam and Nediaputt delivered in by Audimoola Pilha Havildar. Cr.

1765						1765			
May 31st.	To Cash Received of the Juncans of Chinamnaick pollam			29	8	0	May 31st. By Servants Wages	11	0	0
	To Dº. Fees of the head Tenants			1	3	0	By Ballance	88	33	25
	To Dº. Grain Lands			49	9	30				
	To Dº. Juncan of Nediaput			7	12	0				
	To Dº. Grain Lands			13	—	75				
	Pagodas ..			99	33	25	Pagodas ..	99	33	25
June 1st.	To Ballance brought from last Month		..	88	33	25	June 30th. By Servants Wages	11	—	—
30	To Cash received of the Juncans of Chinamnk. ..	Ps. 23 19 32					By Ballance	114	8	27
	To Dº. Fees of the head Tenants	1 21 —								
	To Dº. Grain Lands ..	2 2 0								
	To Dº. Juncan of Nedaiputt	7 26 50								
	To Dº. Grain Lands ..	1 35 —								
				36	18	2				
	Pagodas ..			125	8	27	Pags. ..	125	8	27
July 1st.	To Ballance brought from last						July 31st. By Cash advanced the Tenants			
31	Month		..	114	8	27	of Chenkm.	P. 23 36 20		
	To Cash Recd. of the Juncans of Chinamnk.	33 31 75					By Dº. Dº. of Nediaputt.	113 13 —		
	To Dº. Fees of the head Tenants	1 22 32							137	6	20
	To Dº. Grain Lands ..	47 6 46					By Cash paid for repairing two Tanks at Chinamnkm. ..	..	33	15	—
	To Dº. The produce of Tammrs. Jacks. Mangs. & Palmra. Tope	68 4 35					By Servants Wages.. ..	..	11	—	—
	To Dº. Juncans of Nediaputt	7 2 2							181	21	20
	To Dº. Grain Lands ..	73 26 70					By Ballance	..	252	32	10
	To Dº. The produce of Tamr. Jacks, Mangs. & Palms. Tope	88 36 63					℔ Audimoola Pilhia Havildar.				
				320	2	3				
	Pagodas ..			434	10	30	Pagodas ..		434	10	30

Dr. ABSTRACT OF THE NEAT PROCEEDS OF THE RENT OF CHENAMNAICKPOLLAM AND NEDIAPUTT VILLAGES from the 1st. May to 31st. July 1765. Cr.

To Cash Received of the Juncans of Chinamnkm. ..	86	16	27	By Cash advanced the Tenants of Chinnamanaickpm. & Nediaputt	Pas. 137	6	20
To Do. Fees of the head Tenants	4	3	32	By Servants Wages	33	—	—
To Do. Grain Lands	98	17	76	By Cash paid for repairing two Tanks as Chinamnkpm.	33	15	—
To Do. The Produce of Tamerin Jacks, Mangs. & Palm. Tope	68	4	35				
To Do. Juncan of Nediaputt	21	40	52	Pagodas ..	203	21	20
To Do. Grain Lands	88	19	65	By Ballance	252	32	10
To Do. Produce of Tamn. Mangs. & Palmeria Tope ..	88	36	63				
Pagodas ..	456	10	30	Pagodas ..	456	10	30

No. 184.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Since our address to your Honor &ca. of the 28th. wherein we could only acknowledge the receipt of your favor of the 26th. Instt. The merchants have been called upon & made acquainted with the addition you have been pleased to order in several Articles of our present Investment which they have agreed to provide by the 1st. of January as follows.

	Midlg. Blue half psp.	Salempr. Blue.	Succat. Blue.
Irshepah Chitty	1500	—	—
Nella Chitty	1000	100	150
Moodu Kistnah	2000	—	—
Streeshelaputty	500	200	150
Mahomed Asharraff & Saumy Nauda Pilha	1500	100	—
Nellapah Moodely & Shavelah Venkatachilum	2000	100	—
Paupah & Bootchy Chitty	1500	—	—
Pieces ..	10,000	500	300

As Moodu Kistnah has already exceeded his Contract in the article of Chinamnaick Pollam Cloth, and several of the other Merchants having nearly compleated some of their different sortments, we shall therefore be glad you would acquaint us, if our taking in a larger proportion from them if offered, would be agreable [*sic*] to your Honor &ca.

It would have afforded us infinite satisfaction could we have procured a Bale of Succatoons to be sent by the Middlesex, but they were brought in so late it was impossible to get them washed in time, and beg leave to assure you, that our utmost Endeavours shall be used in encouraging the Merchants to fulfill their Contracts.

The fifteen thousand (15000) Pagodas dispatched as ℔ Seapoys the 23d. Instant came to hand last Night, and as it will be necessary to make our Merchants an advance proportionable to the Cloth now contracted for we are to request you will be pleased to order an addition to the supply of Cash wrote for in our last.

We are with great Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servants

John Lewin Smith.
John Calland.
Robert Dowsett.

Cuddalore
30th. Octr. 1765.

No. 185.

To the Honble the President & Council
of Fort St. George.

Sirs

We received your Letters of the 30th. October directed to Capt. John Payne, Capt. Massey and to myself, which I read to my officers, as likewise my Instructions given in England by the Honble Court of Directors. I asked the opinion of my officers and advised the most prudent Step to take.

By your letter we understand, that were we sickly, and in danger of being so, we were to land our Troops and Soldiers at Cuddalore, but not otherwise.

It proves that we are so healthy, that at this time we have only one man ill on board, & the Surgean assures us that there is no appearance of the Scurvey, or any other Sickness among the Soldiers or Sailors; we have been very healthy all the Passage having lost but one Man, and that from age and long service, than any other Complaint.

As this is our Situation, we have concluded to take in a little more water and proceed for Madras, & we hope it concurs with the intent of your letters to us, & will meet with the approbation of your Honor, and the Gentlemen of the Honble Council, as also that of the Honble Companys and owners of the Ship.

Clive

Pondicherry Road
Nor. 2d. 1765.

I am
Honble Sir & Gentlemen
Your most Obedt. humble Servt.

John Allen.

No. 186.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have been favor'd with yours of the 21st. Ulto. and 4th. Instant, and have also received from Mr. Dolben seven thousand (7000) Madras Pagodas, for which we shall credit Ingeram Factory.

Your Remarks on our Bales by the Bristol Snow conveys to us an inexpressible Satisfaction, to find our endeavours for the Improvement of the Investment has met with your approbation, and we beg leave to assure your Honor &ca. that our utmost attention, shall not be wanting to preserve your good opinion of our conduct therein.

Agreable [*sic*] to your orders of the 5th. Ultimo we have made Enquiry into the Situation and value of the Countries therein mentioned but find upon Examination of the account received from the Person employed for that purpose that the valuation thereof only amounts to 10190 Rupees ℔ Annum which appears very inadequate to your Estimation, therefore we shall only beg leave

to refer you to the inclosed List, by which you may observe the various differences, with respect to the names value and situation of those Districts & leave your Honor &ca. to judge what right Hussun Ally may have to make an Assignment of any part of Jaggah Dieu's Country.

We have the Honor to remain with the greatest Respect

VIZAGAPATAM
24TH. OCTR. 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient Humble Servants

JOHN SMITH.
JOHN DAVIDSON.
WILLM. BARKER.

No. 187.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Inclosed I have the Honour to transmit you the accounts of this settlement for last Month.

The Attorneys of Mr. Bouche' owner of the House, which has been ever since we took the place, & is now, occupied by the Commanding officer of this Garrison, having applied to me for the Rent of it, I have settled with them for thirty Rupees ℔ month, and have paid them the arrears due from the 1st. of June last at that rate.

The late disturbances in the Ongole Districts have prevented my obtaining an account of the Real Produce of the Villages belonging to the Nizampatam Circar which were let to the late Rajah of Ongole, altho' tis now upwards of a month since I sent a Braminy from hence to make the Enquiry, and ordered some of the Principal Inhabitants here that I might be the better satisfied of the authenticity of the acount which might be given me, But I am in hopes I shall be able in a few Days to furnish your Honor &ca. with such a Statement of their real value as may be depended on.

Mr. Whitehill promises to dispatch about an hundred Bales to your Honor &ca. some time in December.

I am very Respectfully
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your very Obedient & most h'ble Servant
JOHN PYBUS.

MASULIPATAM
30TH OCTR. 1765.

No. 188.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have been honored with your Commands of the 26th. Ulto. and immediately made an advance to my Merchants for the provision of the additional quantity of Goods you have been pleased to order, they promise to exert their

utmost Endeavours to have them in readiness by the latter end of December but as the Season is far advanced and I have never yet found them Punctual to their Engagements I have but little hopes they will prove so on this occasion.

Accompanying this come the Books of this settlement ending April 1764.

By a letter received from Mr. Peter Perring I find he was ordered to leave under charge of the Officer commanding at Ongole a chest containing thirty two thousand Madrass Pagodas where it was to remain till Directions could be received from me for conveying it hither—concluding from this information that this Money may be intended for supplying the Northern Settlements, I have ordered Mr. Bruce at Ongole to forward it to this Place in two separate Parcels of Sixteen thousand each under a proper Escort, who advises me of his having in consequence dispatched the 2d. Instant one Box, which on opening the Chest he found within it and supposed contained Sixteen thousand Pagodas, as there were Sixteen Bags besides loose in the Chest, which also he intended to send off the 4th. with an Escort, as he had done the Box, and as I may expect to receive the whole of this Money in four or five Days, I request to be honored with your directions concerning the disposal of it.

I am very Respectfully

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient & most h'ble Servant

JOHN PYBUS.

MASULIPATAM
6TH. NOVEMBER 1765.

LIST OF CLOTH ON HAND

AT BANDARMALANKA

L.C.O.	 1280		
L.C.M.	 1526		
L.C.F.	 679		
		3485	Pieces.
I.Z.Zs.	.. ..	129	do.

AT MASULIPATAM.

Chay Goods of Sorts, 3,500 Pieces of which 200 are Embaled.

No. 189.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have the Honor to transmit you the accounts of this settlement for last Month.

We are sorry to acquaint you that the flanking part of the Seaside Battery by the Surfs increasing upon it, is again washed down, and the Foundation entirely undermined, so that it cannot be sufficiently repaired unless it be built on Wells or Piles, & as such an Expence we apprehend will be unequal to the rest of the Battery, we shall let it remain as it is, untill we have your farther Directions thereon.

We have now the pleasure to acquaint you that Mr. Lowe informs us of his having settled affair with Ramadoss to his satisfaction in consequence of

the Rajah's letter for that purpose, the particulars of which we doubt not Mr. Lowe will advise you, as he has before wrote you on that subject.

We have the Honor to remain with the greatest Respect

VIZAGAPATAM
30TH OCTR. 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servants

JOHN SMITH.
JOHN DAVIDSON.
WILLM. BARKER.

CLOTH ON HAND AT THE WASH

L.C.O.	Co.	111	13	
L.C.M.		87	10	
L.C.F.		17	4	
				216 7

IN THE WAREHOUSE

L.C.O.W.	Co.	27	5	
L.C.M.W.		21	4	
L.C.F.W.		18	17	
				67 6
	Corge ..			283 13

No. 190.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your commands of the 16th. Ulto. were forwarded to me from Ongole with the first Box of Treasure containing sixteen thousand Pagodas, which with your Packet for Mr. Dolben I sent on to Ingeram immediately, The other sixteen thousand Pagodas arrived here from Ongole, and was dispatched on to Ingeram last Night. I am very Respectfully

MASULIPATAM
10TH. NOVR. 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your very Obedient and most humble Servant

JOHN PYBUS.

No. 191.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have received your Commands of the 5th. and the damaged and unserviceable Stores shall be disposed of conformably to your Directions.

I shall acquaint Mr. Whitehill with the Permission you have been pleased to grant him of proceeding to Madrass with his Bales which I have recommended to him to have in readiness for dispatching as soon as possible after the full Moon in December.

The Farm of Narsipore Town expiring the 21st. of next Month I request your orders concerning the reletting it.

I shall set out for the Army this afternoon and expect to be back again by the end of next Month. I am very Respectfully

MASULIPATAM
11TH. NOVR. 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your very Obedient and most humble Servant
JOHN PYBUS.

No. 192.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I am honored with your Commands of 26th. Ulto. and am to acquaint your honor &ca. that I have already contracted for two hundred pss. of Flowered Bettulas as likewise the Plain Beeteelas, Beetella Handkerchiefs and fine L'Cloth you were before pleased to order, the flowered Beeteelas and the Plain at 4, the Handkerchiefs 3, and the L. Cloth 32 Punjum at 6 Pagodas each piece of a fine and good quality. I am apprehensive that should I offer a farther advance of price the Merchants would impute it more to the Companys great want of those Goods than their desire of mending the quality, and in all probability would not make them better in that Respect than for the present Prices, which in truth are sufficient if the weavers do justice, & the Merchants have given me their assurances, that they will take all possible care; tho' assurances from them of this Nature are indeed often deceitful, I shall therefore let the Prices rest as they are and use every other endeavor to get them as good as possible, should I not succeed the other Expedient must be used, and I shall endeavour to get them ready by Jañry, which, I hope will meet your Honour &ca. Approbation.

Enclosed wait on your Honor &ca. the Accts. of this settlement for last month, and at foot hereof is Acct. of cloth on hand. I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

INGERAM
THE 8TH. NOVR. 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble & most obedient Servant
GEORGE DOLBEN.

List of Cloth on Hand.

L.C.O.	1893
M.	1546
F.	518
	3957

N°. 193.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs and Dear Friends

Your favor of the 30th. Ulto. being safely come to our hands along with the enclosed two Letters to be sent according to the Request of your Honor &ca. per Cattamaran on Board your Europe ships cruizing upon this Coast upon their appearing, we dutifully inform your Honor &ca. hereby that none of them has appeared hitherto & that we have no other Intelligence of them, but that they have been at the Beginning of this Month in Pondicherry Road, and have sailed away from thence again & desire hereby to lett us know whether we shall keep the letters still here or send them back to your Honor &ca.

We are with Esteem
Honble Sir & Sirs & Dear Friends
Your most Faithful Friends
& humble Servants
J. L. Topander.
S. Boers.

Sadras
14th. Novr. 1765.

N°. 194.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We are to acknowledge the Receipt of your favours of the 30th. Ulto. 5th. & 6th. Instant.

The Letters for Capt. Payne of the Ponsborne inclosed in yours of the 30th. were immediately forwarded to Pondicherry, but the Ship having sailed before they reached that Place, one of the Packets was delivered to Capt. Allen of the Clive then in Pondicherry Road & who set sail soon after, with an Intention (as we have been informed) of proceeding to Madras.

The fifteen thousand (15000) Pagodas forwarded by your Honor &ca. the 1st. Instant, as also the twenty thousand (20000) advised of by Mr. Secretary Aldersey in his Letter of the 7th. have been duely received.

We take the liberty of enclosing your Honor &ca. sundry letters (with translations thereof) which have passed between the Chief & Mr. Baars, the Dutch Resident here, and as the Papers referred to therein are not in our Possession, must beg leave to request your Directions in this affair.

As our Merchants have but little time to fulfill their new contracts, we have been induced to make them an advance of one half of their several Proportions in lieu of a quarter part in order to encourage them to comply therewith which we flatter ourselves will have the desired effect, and meet with your Honor &ca. approbation.

We are with much Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servants
John Lewin Smith.
John Calland.
Robt. Dowsett.

Cuddalore
14th. November 1765.

LIST OF CLOTH ON HAND.

At Washers	..	202½
Beaters	..	8
Dyers	..	95½
	Bales ..	306

TRANSLATE.

To JOHN LEWIN SMITH ESQR.
CHIEF OF ST. DAVID.

WORSHIPFUL SIR

This Moment I hear that our Dutch Company's Merchant Tity Wahl Chitty is by your Peons arrested & carried before you, which the more surprises me, as I cannot penetrate the Intention thereof, as he is a person who has contracted for our Dutch Company, You have not, Sir, the least Jurisdiction over him, by virtue of our Cowl, but every one who has any complaints against him must take his Regress [*sic*] to me. I must therefore heavily complain of this your Encroachment, and do hereby in the name of my Masters protest against what you have done, and attempted against our Liberty & Priviledge, I have the Honor to remain,

CUDDALORE
1ST. NOVR. 1765.

WORSHIPFUL SIR
Your most humble Servant
BAARS.

Cum originali Concord at
Id quod testatus
G. HUTTEMAN.

CUDDALORE
14TH. NOVEMR. 1765.

A true Copy
ROBT. BARCLAY, *Secry.*

TRANSLATE.

To JOHN LEWIN SMITH ESQR.
CHIEF OF ST. DAVID.

WORSHIPFUL SIR

Trevasel Trimette Chitty a Merchant of our Company has a dispute with one Canapah Modelly as you will observe ℔ Obligation hereunto annexed. The Principal being Pagodas 200 on Interest at 7/8 of a Pagoda ℔ Month for 100 Pagodas bearing Date the 15th. August 1756 The said Canapah now alledges that he has a dispute against our said Merchant for being a Bondsman to his deceased Brother. I therefore desire the said Canapah will prove it for this reason, Sir, the cause has been differed for some time, which I think can be decided in a Moment however I cannot permit him to go to Arbitration, for I want him every moment for Business of our Company.

I therefore desire you will be pleased to settle this matter but to the contrary I shall be obliged to see the said Canapah in the Mayors Court at Madrass, by which means I will oblige him to pay his Debt according to the obligation heretofore mentioned. I have the Honor to be with Respect

CUDDALORE
15TH. NOVR. 1765.

WORSHIPFUL SIR
Your most Obedient Humble Servant
BAARS.

CUDDALORE 14th. November 1765.

A true Copy

ROBT. BARCLAY,
Secry.

I, CANAPAH MOODELLY do hereby acknowledge having received of Tremilly Chitty the Sum of Star Pagodas, 200, which is to run at Interest @ 7/8 of a Pagoda ℔ Month for 100 Pagodas, which I promise to pay on demand CUDDALORE 15 August 1765.

Signed by Canapah before two Witnesses.

To PETER BAARS ESQR.

SIR

I received Yesterday your Letter of the same date respecting Tily whal Chitties affair, but shall decline entering into the particulars of his dispute with Canapah Moodelly, They being both Inhabitants of Cuddalore & therefore apprehend no one has any authority to interfere therein but myself; for the same reason, Sir, you must excuse my paying no regard to your Protest which I received soon after, till you can prove your right to the Priviledges & Immunities you pretend to claim, being unacquainted with any such Grants in your Cowle.

I have the Honor to be
SIR
Your most Obedt. humble Servant
J. L. SMITH.

2D. NOVR. 1765.

CUDDALORE 14TH. NOVR. 1765.

A true copy.

ROBT. BARCLAY, *Secry.*

TRANSLATE

To THE WORSHIPFUL JOHN LEWIN SMITH ESQR.

CHIEF OF ST. DAVIDS AND ITS DEPENDENCIES.

WORSHIPFUL SIR

From your Letter received the day before Yesterday, it appears that your Worship will not acknowledge the arrested Teruwasel Trimitie Chitty to be a Servant or Merchant of the Netherland East India Compy. (whom I have however by orders of my superiors solemnly engaged in the service of this our Factory) You only consider him as a mere and Simple Inhabitant of Cuddalore, and at the same time intimate your being unacquainted with our Priviledges on which my complaint and Protest was founded. It is very true that the arrested Merchant is an Inhabitant of Cuddalore, for where else should the Servants of this our Factory dwell, they are indeed Inhabitants of Cuddalore, but I can by no means allow that any Person but our Netherland's Coy. should exercise any sort of Jurisdiction over them they own only the aforesaid Company as their Lords and Masters by virtue of the 5th. Article of the Commercial Treaty granted in the midst of the last Century by the King of Gingy to this

our Factory which imports. " In case the Servants of the Dutch Company should commit any thing which deserved Punishment they shall be referrd intirely in the Company." These Prerogatives have been granted to this Factory at Cuddalore by the Governor & Council of Fort St. George under the 29th. November 1756. How far your Worships proceedings against our Merchant agree with this Priviledge I leave to every Body's consideration. Your being unacquainted with our Immunities and thus rejecting my Protest hinders me not in the least to persist in it, Yea to renew it most solemnly and by virtue of it I reclaim from your Worship the arrested Merchant as you will answer the consequences since I shall be obliged to lay this affair before my Superiors and High Masters.

I remain with all Consideration
WORSHIPFUL SIR
Your most Obedient Servant
BAARS.

CUDDALORE
1ST. NOVR. 1765.

Cum Scripto Origenali
convenit quod testimonie
Suo confirm at

G. HUTTEMAN

COPY

CUDDALORE 14th. November 1765.

A true Copy

ROBT. BARCLAY, *Secry.*

No. 195.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Notwithstanding our Importunities to Sadashwerow the Renter of St. Davids & Trevindaporam, he has not yet paid his July Kist for these Farms, but your Honor &ca. may be assured we shall still continue to use our utmost endeavours to make him do it as soon as possible.

Our Cash Account & other monthly Papers wait on you herewith & are with the greatest Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. humble Servants
JOHN L. SMITH.
JOHN CALLAND.
ROBERT DONSETT.

CUDDALORE
23D. NOVEMBER 1765.

List of Cloth on Hand.

At Washers		259½
Beaters		8
Dyers		123½
Embal'd		20
	Bales ..	411

No. 196.

To the Right Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor of Fort St. George
on the Coast of Choromandel &ca. &ca. on
behalf of the Right Honble English
East India Company and the
Council at Madras.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Also our Resident a [*sic*] Cuddalore Peter Baars gives us knowledge with his Letter of the 2d. Inst. how the Day before the first Servant of the Company, or the Inlands Merchant Turwasel Trimilu Chittee by the order of your Chief of that place, Mr. John Lewin Smith, has been taken away out of his house by four Tallears & brought to him, where he was still kept arrested until the next Day, without thereof to him Resident any notice was given, much less has he received any answer upon two Letters he wrote to Mr. Smith aforesaid about that Merchant, and that Arrest has been only for reason that one Cannappa Moodeliaar has all before hand, having accusd [*sic*] him Trimile Chitty by said Mr. Smith, concerning a Pretension and Supposed the same was Legitimate, it does not amount half what the first owes to the last, amounting the same according a Bond of Payment of Pags. 200 shewed to said Baars, so it is that we sent you in these the copys as well of what said Baars has wrote to us as to said Mr. Smith, with the Translate of said Mallabars Bond of Payment, begging you friendly to reproach more mentioned Mr. Smith over these Procedures and to give him orders to release said Turwasil Trimelu Chitty up that he and his adversary may bring their concerns by you or by us, and so doing shall the Prerogatives which the Servants and further Employers of the Dutch East India Company enjoys in the Realm of Singy where under our Demoliated Lodge of Tegenapatnam has been situated, not been weakened, for at Cuddalore having been shewed to us a house in stead of said Lodge, and has together the English high Council by their Letter of the 29th. November 1756. Bound her for our Priviledges due to us there, whereof these also is by our Company obtained in the year 1654 that any People, of the Honble Company Dutch or Black Servants being Transgressors in some things, and meriting Correction, shall about that the Duans People not dare to do the least thing, but the punishment be deferred entirely to the Honble Company. We expect therefore that you shall not dispute and wrong us in our Priviledges that we have obtained in said Realm, and that it will please you to give us Satisfaction, since on our side we shall be on the same occasions always ready, being with the utmost Esteem

Negapatam
in the Fort the Novr. 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient & most humble
Servants

Peter Hacksteen
&ca. Council.

No. 197.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have had the Honor to receive your commands of the 16th. of last Month accompanying two chests of Treasure, containing each Sixteen thousand Madras Pagodas, one of which I have kept here for the use of this settlement, and have forwarded the other under an Escort of Seapoys to John Smith Esqr. Chief &ca. Council of Vizagapatam.

I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

Ingeram
the 23d. November 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most humble & most Obedient
Servant
George Dolben.

No. 198.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I make bold once more to address you, to acquaint you that Mr. Smith at Vizagapatam represented the ill treatment I met with from Ramadoss to the Rajah Sittiram Raz, and thereon I have had satisfaction given me, which I cannot better lay before you than by an abstract of my Letter to that Gentleman.

I humbly beg pardon for not immediately acquainting you hereof, but an ill state of health prevented me.

I had wrote the above when I had the Honor to receive your Letter of the 22d. Octr. and am heartily sorry I have taken a wrong Step, tho' I must beg leave to assure your Honors that my Chief reason for having any connections with the Country Government was for the sake of Peace & not any Lucrative views, the many Impositions & villainous dealings I hitherto met with made me take this Step, & could I otherways have recover'd my money and losses I should not have renewed my agreement, and tho' I am as yet a Creditor, if you will not allow me to fulfill my contract I will immediately give it up, tho I shall be a Losser.

I have the Honor to be
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. & most humble Servant
John Lowe.

Ganjam
11th. Novr. 1765.

Extract of John Lowe's Letter to John Smith Esqr. at Vizagapatam dated Octr. 20th. 1765.

Sir

I have the Pleasure to have received your two favors of the 4th. and 5th. instant, but not having any thing particular I defered answering till now.

Gaude Ramadoss & I have agreed in the following manner, which I hope will meet with your approbation.

On the 3d. Instant the Rajah's man (after having heard my complaints) went away to Gaude Ramadoss and did not return till the 11th when he brought with him G. Rammadoss's Brother in Law who after apologizing for G. Ramadoss's ill Behaviour or rather confessing it he beg'd I would not persist in my Resolution of not stirring from home as it was impossible that for 15 Days G. Ramadoss could come here on account of the Hautgur Rajah having taken the Field against him, but that if I would consent to go to camp for one Day I might depend on meeting with entire Satisfaction in every Respect on consideration I concluded that there could not be a more proper place to receive Satisfaction, than that where the affront was given, & therefore I consented to go to him on condition that he pitched a Tent for me in the Front of his Army, and that on our saluting each other he should fire 5 Guns, that he himself should repeat his ill conduct before his officers, and promise not to do the like again; all which he performed and even offered to make Oath before his Bramins to observe the same, but this I did not insist on as his Oath and word I think equally valid.

On my coming away he returned me my money and put Seapoys on the People that detained Sloops 3, untill they pay me Rs. 300 being their Expences during the Month detained, and he presented me with a Grey horse valued here at Rs. 500.

I am
Sir &ca.

No. 199.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of
Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

On my arrival here the 13th. Instant at Night the Officer commanding the Garrison acquainted me that there was a Man under confinement in Irons, for a murder committed by him at Ingeram, and delivered me the Letter I have now the Honor to enclose you, from Mr. Dolben giving a circumstantial account of the Fact. There is no Deposition taken of evidences, but the Prisoner does not deny the Fact, I have therefore ordered him up to Madrass under a guard of Seapoys, that he may stand his Tryal for so Barbarous an act, at the next quarterly Sessions and am very Respectfully

Rajahmundry
15th. Novr. 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient & most h'ble Servt.
John Pybus.

To Captain Simon Hart.

Dear Sir

Under charge of three salipoys I now send you, one of the two Bullock People you sent to Nillipille for arrack one the 25th. past at night, they having both been at the arrack shop together returned to the choultry at Nillipillee and as the Prisoner says the other fell out with him about the Dogs having carried away their Victuals and called him names upon which Blows ensued, and the Prisoner having a stick and the other nothing in his hands to defend himself

he mortally wounded the Deceased in the Head & that sometime after finding he was dead he buried him in a hole near the choultry throwing over him a little Sand, where he was found by some Boys at Play in the Morning.

I must remark that when I saw the Deceased who was brought to the Factory it appeared to me as well as numbers of others, that the Wounds given the Deceased could not be made with a stick but seem to have been made with the Knife or Hook which he used to cut Grass with, one of them was large the other Small both appeared Deep and were made behind the same Ear very near to each other, and there is room to think he received them as he lay Drunk or asleep on the Bullocks wadding which was all over Blood, the Deceased had also a small cord fastned double round his neck as if to strangle him, the Prisoner went to a Milkmans near by the Choultry and wanted to borrow a Pelong with which they beat Rice and being answered they had none, he said a stick would do but as they had none, or did not chuse [*sic*] to give him any he pulled one out of the compound which was found in the Morning broke and which the Prisoner says was the stick he used but there was no Blood on it; The Deceased had received some Blows on the head & Face which might indeed have been made with this stick—these two people had several times quarrelled and it seems upon the whole as if this horrid act was meditated.

I thought it most eligible to send the Prisoner to you that you may take such a course with him as you may judge proper. I have hitherto given him Subsistance he having nothing of his own, I beg the favor of you to return the Jakepoys as soon as possible. I am

INGERAM
THE 1ST. NOVR. 1765.

DEAR SIR
Your most Obedt. humble Servant
GEORGE DOLBEN.

No. 200.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

With your favor of the 16th. Octr. last forwarded by Mr. Dolben we have received a further supply of sixteen Thousand (16000) Madrass Pagodas for the service of the Investment.

We are also to acknowledge your Letter of the 22d. of the same Month, where in your Honor &ca. are pleased to express your Satisfaction as to the Supply of Bales sent you ℔ Bristol Snow, and we must beg leave to observe, that our utmost Efforts have since been used to the same purpose, but with much less success both as to quantity and quality. The present Investment is greatly prejudiced by the Troubles in these Parts that have been ravaged and Impoverished by the Rajahs Enemies. Hence the Manufacture is obstructed, and the Merchants to secure themselves, are obliged to take such cloth as the Weavers can furnish, without the usual regard being had to its Goodness. We hope therefore, that your Honor &ca. will not be sanguine in your Expectations from us at this time; as our Obedience to your orders for an early dispatch of what Bales we may have on hand will also contribute to abridge the quantity.

Enclosed we transmit you the accounts of this settlement for last Month. We are with utmost Respect

VIZAG:
25TH. NOVR. 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servants

JOHN SMITH.
JOHN DAVIDSON.
WM. BARKER.

CLOTH ON HAND AT THE WASH.

L.C.O.	Co.	177	7
L.C.M.		136	11
L.C.F.		22	3
			336 1

IN THE WAREHOUSE.

L.C.O.W.	Co.	27	5
L.C.M.W.		21	4
L.C.F.W.		18	17
			67 6
Corges ..			403 7

No. 201.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have had the Honor to receive your Commands of the 15th. Ulto. by the Snow Friendship enclosing Invoice and Bill of Lading of Stationary sent by that Vessell also Remarks on the Investment provided here on which I have to assure your Honor &ca. that I shall use my utmost Endeavours to improve it as much as possible.

I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

INGERAM
28TH. NOVR. 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble and most Obedient Servant

GEORGE DOLBEN.

No. 202.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT. ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

The measures we are pursuing in order to accomplish the ends proposed by the Court of Directors and secure to the Company the great Revenues they now possess in Bengall, are so contrary to the Expectations, the views and the

Interests of many of their servants placed in the highest stations and intrusted with the most weighty Employments of this Presidency that they have thought proper to resign the Service. The opulent Fortunes they have acquired and the Steps we are taking to prevent so sudden a growth of Wealth at the expence of the Company and the National Character will sufficiently declare the motives of their conduct & of yours.

Notwithstanding we found it expedient to reduce the number of our Board from sixteen to twelve members yet three seats are already vacant and Mr. Senior has expressed his full intention of returning home this season. It is with regret that we observe that these vacancies cannot be filled by the Junior Servants next in succession. The Corruption that prevailed in the Government has descended to the lower Classes and a council composed of these would frustrate every attempt to effect that general reformation so essential to the success and Permanency of the measures proposed by our constituents We therefore earnestly request, that in consideration of the present exigency of our affairs, we may be favoured with the immediate assistance of Messrs. Claud Russell, William Aldersey, Thomas Kilsall and Charles Floyer. These Gentlemen are seniors to any in the list of our Covenanted servants below the Rank of Council & we cannot entertain a doubt but their removal will be approved by the Court of Directors when we have represented the reasons upon which this request is founded.

You Gentlemen are equally sensible with us of the Importance of this Settlement to the Company, & no less sollicitous for its Prosperity which depends so much upon the Judicious selection of a Board. It is therefore our further desire that Mr. Russell and the other Gentlemen may proceed with all possible dispatch over Land, as the season of the Year would render a Passage by sea tedious and we are now forming Plans for collecting the revenues which will oblige several members of the Board to be absent from the Presidency.

We are

Fort William
the 5th. Novr. 1765.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Servants
Clive.
Willm. Brightwell Sumner.
John Carnac.
Harry Veretst.

Sel. Committee.

No. 203.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.

President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have had the Honor to receive your Commands of 21st. past and beg leave to assure you I shall use my best endeavours to get the Betteelas & fine Long Cloth in readiness for the January Dispatch.

Enclosed wait on your Honor &ca. the accounts of this Settlement for last Month. I have the honor to be with the greatest Respect

INGERAM
18th. Decr. 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble and most Obedient
Servant
GEO: DOLBEN.

No. 204.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Since we did ourselves the pleasure of addressing you last under Date the 16th. Septr. We have been favoured with your Sundry letters of the 7th. & 13th. August 2d. 4, 5, 7, 9, 14 & 15th. September and 30th. Ulto. by the Ganges country Vessell, and the Honble Compy. Ships Grenville & Spike which have safely imported with us.

We have now to acquaint you that just before the arrival of the latter ship, upon considering that We had yet but one, of the Seas on with us, the possibility that the others from their late Departure fromEngland and our having received no accounts of them from you, might not arrive for some time, with the Season advancing apace and the Benefit to the Company of receiving their Investment early. We determined to alter the Kents Destination and stationed her to return home as soon as possible after the Grenville; she is accordingly unloading her Bombay consignments and such part as we do not detain here We purpose forwarding by the Asia, and two of our Sloops preparing to proceed thither for Repairs; the Spike we have fixed to carry the Stores, from this and your Presidency for the Gentlemen at Fort Marlbro, and to proceed from thence to China with a Supply of Treasure, with which We shall assist, the Supracargoes in consequence of our Injunctions from the Honble Court of Directors, this season particularly enforced us; and of the remaining two Ships, one will proceed with a supply of Salt Petre and what Grain we can afford you, to be filled up at your Presidency for Europe, and agreably to your request shall be dispatched to you as soon as possible after her arrival here, and the other will be our last Dispatch direct from hence. We have given the necessary advice of this Disposition to the Gentlemen at Bombay.

The Packet for the Court of Directors received with your Letter of the 7th. August was duely forwarded by the Admiral Stevens, as was a Duplicate of the Invoice of Provisions shipped by us on the Earl of Middlesex for victualling the Prisoners from the French Islands agreably to your request under the 3d. September. The Admiral Stevens received her Dispatches at Ingelee on the 5th Ulto.

We have duely attended to the Representations of the Gentlemen of Fort Marlbro's for a large supply of Grain & shall endeavour to assist them fully, of which we shall particularly advise you when the Spike proceeds to you. The Syren Snow is at present preparing to receive a part of their Indent.

We have directed the Assay Master to make an assay of the samples of Gold received also with your first Letter, and his Report shall be duely advised to you.

Finding that the currency of A. Rupees coined in our Mint is greatly obstructed and that they pass at a Discount from those struck with you, because of their bearing the name and Titles of the old King. We are to request that you will send us by the first opportunity the stamp used in your Mint.

We are with Esteem

FORT WILLIAM
THE 6TH OF NOVEMBER 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Servants

CLIVE.
WM. BRIGHTWELL SUMNER.
JOHN CARNAC.
HARRY VERETST.

No. 205.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We are to acknowledge the favor of your Letters of the 6th. & 9th. Instant, as also one from Mr. Secretary Aldersey of the 21st. Ulto.

A Copy of the General Books since the Reistablishment of this settlement are now preparing but to enable us to finish them, & carry on our other Books, we must request you will be pleased to order to be sent us Twenty Quires of Royal Paper.

We have directed the Paymaster to inquire what quantity of Chinam can be procured, & the Price, as also the charge of removing Bricks from the Ruins of FORT ST. DAVID to Cuddalore, & so soon as he has obtained the necessary information your Honor &ca. shall be acquainted therewith.

Agreable to your Directions under Date the 9th. Tytyival Chitty was immediately released, and the Resident for the Dutch Company acquainted with the conditions conformable to the Purport of your Letter.

The Agent for Military Cloathing having represented that there is a difference arising from the adding up of the Stoppages made for the Military at 42 fans. ℔ Pagoda instead of 36 which he alledges is contrary to the usual custom at Madrass and in the course of the year amounts to Pags. thirty six twenty Eight, Fanams & thirty two Cash (36–28–32) more than the full pay, which has already been drawn, We have to request your Honor &ca. directions thereon.

We have to inform you that Sadasheverow the Renter of St. David and Trevenduporam has at last made good his payment of the July Kist for these Bounds, tho' not without much difficulty, by reason of several of the Tenants under him being greatly in arrear.

The advances,to the Merchants since the clause of the Cash account having nearly exhausted our Cash, We are to request your Honor &ca. will be pleased to order a supply of fifteen thousand (15000) Pagodas to be sent us as soon as possible.

Our Cash Account & other monthly Papers wait on you herewith, and we are with much Respect

CUDDALORE
18TH. DECEMR. 1765.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servants

JOHN CALLAND.
ROBT. DOWSETT.
FRANCIS JOURDAN.

List of Cloth on Hand.

at Washers		314
Beaters		24½
Dyers		107½
Embald		91
	Bales ..	537

N°. 206.

To the Honble Robert Palk,
President & Governor &c^a. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have received your favor of the 2^d. Ult°. with the Packet for the Honble the President & Council of Bombay which has been duely forwarded.

Our Honble Master's Ships Fox & True Briton have imported here, the former the 28^th. & the latter the 30^th. Ult°. and both sailed for Bombay the 1^st. Instant.

We observe your Honor &ca. proposed for conveying our Letters overland, and tho' an Extra Gratuity has been offered these Pattamars for undertaking the same by the Rout you mention, they would not agree to perform it, pleading they were entire strangers to that part of the Country We therefore dispatch them by the usual Tract, and shall use our Endeavours to procure a Person, at this Place, for undertaking the Passage to Velloor.

We remain,
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Serv^t.

Tellicherry
3^D. Decem^R. 1765.

James Ryley.
W. S. Curt.
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N°. 207.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esq^R.
President & Governor &c^a. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We receiv'd the original of your Letters the 11^th. September.

John Spencer Esq^r. arrived here on the 19^th. Instant, and has proceeded to Bombay. Our Honble Master's Ships, The Fox, Capt. Hume, and True

Briton Capt. Crighton imported here on the 21st. & 22d. Instant to fill up their Water and have since sailed for Bombay.

We are with Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. h'ble Servants

THOMAS WHITEHILL.
ARTHUR KING.
WM. TAYLER.
ISAAC ALLGOOD GLASSE.

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26TH. NOVR. 1765.

No. 208.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT PALK ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have been honored with your commands of the 21st. and 29th. Ulto.

Mr. DAWSON has been acquainted with the Intentions of Messrs. Fairfield and Turner of proceeding to Europe by the next Ship, that he might hold himself in readiness to remove to the Presidency to take his Seat at the Board on the Receipt of your orders.

In Reply to the Remarks of the Committee on the Mazulipatam accounts of August and September I must acknowledge the Batta & horse allowance paid to Mr. Stevens to have been done through a want of attention to the Impropriety of those charges, the amount of which shall therefore be refunded by him and with Respect to the expence of Bullocks employed with the army being brought to account at Mazulipatam. I followed that method from what I thought had been practised at Madrass respecting the Bills from the contractor for victualling and furnishing Draught & carriage Bullocks, for the army, which I understood did not appear in the account of the Paymaster in the Field, but were presented to the Board and discharged by their order by the Commissary General. But there being no Employ of that Nature at Masulipatam, and the Business of Dieting the men and furnishing the Bullocks necessary for the service of the army, being on the same footing as to the southward; with this difference only, that every charge of the kind is carried to the head of Expedition on account the Northern Circars instead of Nabob Mahommed Ally Cawn. I considered such charge would appear more properly in the accounts of the Settlement than those of the Paymaster in the Field, and therefore observed that method. But if your Honor &ca. shall be pleased to direct that this Charge appear in future in the accounts of the Paymaster, a due Obedience shall be paid.

I am very Respectfully,
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient and most humble
Servant

JOHN PYBUS.

CAMP near PEDDAPORE
THE 20TH. DECEMR. 1765.

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